



CAPITOL GOSSIP

THE BOND BILL WENT THROUGH THE HOUSE.

Senate Committee Re-organized. Republicans Take Charge.—Another Bond Issue Will be Announced.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Speaker Reed was given a taste of what sort of a job he has on his hands when that bond bill was put through the House, and the result was probably one of the worst half hours he ever spent. He won, and the bill went through by a majority of thirty-three, but if the vote could have been put off until today it is believed he would have lost, and the bill have been defeated, instead of being sent over to the Senate to die by being smothered by amendments. It was not a coincidence that the revolving Republicans were mostly McKimley men. It was on the contrary a very plain intimation to Mr. Reed that the McKimleyites intend to make things unpleasant for him whenever they get an opportunity. Another notable thing about this short but sharp skirmish was the indication of an understanding having been reached between the Reed and Allison Republicans of the House. Mr. Reed is doubtless very glad that the House concluded to make this week a holiday. It will give him time to pull himself together and arrange his programme.

The reorganization of the Senate committees has been all arranged and this week the Republicans will take charge, but it is not certain whether they will elect the officers of the Senate until later. President Cleveland will, on January 4th, issue his proclamation declaring Utah a state, and the Republicans expect its legislature, which will convene on the 6th, to elect two Republican Senators at once. They may wait for the arrival of those two Senators before electing the officers of the Senate. They have made a deal with the Populists, but they are still afraid to trust too much to them.

Congress has by a joint resolution which passed without opposition authorized the Secretary of the Navy to accept the ram Katakhdin, which was rejected by the President for failure to make the speed required in the contract, at the contract price, it having been shown that the builders were not to blame, they having constructed the vessel on government plans.

Representative Johnson, of California is one of the Republican members of the House who openly kicked against the bond and tariff bills forced upon the majority of the House by the will and power of speaker Reed. Mr. Johnson voted for the tariff bill under protest, but he with forty-six other Republicans refused to vote for the bond bill, which he declared gave the lie to every principle and precept of the Republican party, and in doing so he said: "Against my will, against my protest, I voted for a bill (tariff) which in my judgment was unnecessary, which in my judgment was not a Republican measure, which in my judgment did not meet the case, which in my judgment was not what we were sent here to do." Let us stand by the rule which we adopted many years ago, that we will not issue bonds in time of peace."

There is little doubt in the minds of many that a majority of the Democrats in the House want Reed to get the Republican nomination for President. Why, doesn't matter at this stage of the game. A prominent Democratic member of the House says this feeling is so strong among the Democrats of that body that he believes they would not hesitate to help Reed if it became probable that any of his opponents for the nomination were trying to put anything through the house for the purpose of handicapping Reed before the Republican National Convention, if such help was needed to beat the scheme. Needless to say it isn't love for Reed which actuates them.

Senator Voorhees says he doesn't see the need for upsetting the business of the country by a prolonged debate on the tariff bill that has passed the House and that he will endeavor to get the bill to a vote as soon as possible. The Senate committee on Finance will take up the bill at once, and of its action Senator Voorhees, who was chairman of the committee under the Democratic organization of the Senate, said: "I think the bill will be reported back to the Senate almost immediately. But, then, you can't tell what will happen. There are some crumbly lying around, and every protectionist is after all he can get. There is no disposition on the part of the Democrats to delay action on the bill. If delay comes it will be from the other side." Senator Voorhees, is of course, strongly opposed to the bill.

Postmaster General Wilson has been giving the fraudulent advertisers a shaking up and the result is that quite

a number of them have been shut out of the mail. The postoffice people do their level best to keep the people from giving up their good money to these sharks, but so long as there are people who will be caught by promises of \$10 worth for a dime these frauds will continue to do business. As soon as they are shut out of the mails under one name, they take another, and slightly changing their scheme they go right ahead again until caught by the post-office officials.

It is generally believed that another bond issue will shortly be announced, but Secretary Carlisle will not discuss the matter for publication.

HON. SAMUEL T. SHUGERTS.

Dies While Visiting His Daughter in Phillipsburg.

Hon. Samuel T. Shugerts, of Bellefonte, one of Centre county's oldest, most distinguished and highly respected citizens, died last week at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. W. E. Burchfield, on Second street, Phillipsburg, where, in company with his wife, he had been visiting since Thanksgiving day. His death was due to a general decline of health, the result of advanced age, and for the past week or two it was noticed that he was growing very much weaker, and when the fatal moment arrived he passed away as gently as the gathering twilight on a summer eve.

The deceased was born in Half Moon valley on February 23, 1809, and was therefore aged 86 years, 9 months and 25 days. He had been a resident of Bellefonte for a great many years, and in his earlier life followed the occupation of a printer, publishing one of the first newspapers established in Bellefonte. He has held a number of positions of trust, for about twenty years serving as commissioner of patents at Washington, and also representing Centre county in the legislature. He was a prominent Mason, ranking very high in that order. Besides his wife he leaves two sons and one daughter, J. D., cashier of the Centre County bank, Bellefonte; Finley, clerk in the patent office at Washington, and Mrs. W. E. Burchfield, of Phillipsburg.

The remains were taken to Bellefonte for interment.

ON THE TRAIL OF A MURDERER.

A Western Penitentiary Convict Believed to be the Slayer of Henry Waterhouse, Bellefonte.

If the story of a man who has just served a sentence in the Western penitentiary can be believed, one of the convicts there is the man wanted in Bellefonte for the murder of Henry Waterhouse in September, 1890. The murderer was known as Wilson. He came to Bellefonte with Wallace's circus and shot Waterhouse in a gambling quarrel. He was placed in jail, and on the night of December 24, 1890, dug his way out. He is said to have gone from there to New Castle, where he shot and killed another man and escaped into Ohio. At Youngstown he committed some petty crime and was sent to jail for two months. While he was serving time there he was located by the New Castle authorities, and as soon as his term was out he was brought to New Castle, convicted and sentenced to seven years in the penitentiary. That was in 1893, so that more than two years of his term have been served. The county authorities will investigate the case, and if he should prove to be the right man, just as soon as his term expires he will be brought to Bellefonte and put on trial for his life.

Are Legal Tender.

The man who kicks about accepting worn silver coins will do well to familiarize himself with a decision of the United States Supreme court rendered last week declaring that silver coins are legal tender as long as they bear the semblance of a coin. Of course this decision referred only to coins worn by circulation. Mutilated and defaced coin are not legal tender, even if they are new.

Not a few who read what Mr. Robert Rowls, of Hollands, Va., has to say below, will remember their own experience under like circumstances: "Last winter I had a gripe which left me in a low state of health. I tried numerous remedies, none of which did me any good, until I was induced to try a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The first bottle of it so far relieved me that I was enabled to attend to my work, and the second bottle effected a cure." For sale at 25 and 50 cents per bottle by Wm. Pealer, Spring Mills, S. M. Swartz, Tusseyville, and R. E. Bartholomew, Centre Hall.

Struck by Lightning.

On Thursday evening last during the heavy storm the residence of David Haines, in Bellefonte, was struck by lightning and considerably damaged. Fortunately no one was injured.



J. B. Fisher

MAJ. J. B. FISHER.

TOO MANY WIVES

DEATH OF PENN HALL'S LEADING CITIZEN.

His Demise Occurs on Saturday Morning.—The Wealthiest Citizen in the Valley.—Sketch of his Career.

Maj. J. B. Fisher, one of the oldest business men of Penns valley, died at his home at Penn Hall, on Saturday last, Dec. 28.

About five weeks ago Maj. Fisher had an attack of dysentery. He recovered from this and about one week later, his foot was attacked with senile gangrene. Every effort was made by the attending physician to give him relief, but to no success, and the death occurred on Saturday morning at 11 o'clock.

The funeral took place on Tuesday morning from the family residence at Penn Hall. It was largely attended. Interment was made in the Salem Reformed church cemetery.

Maj. Fisher was widely and favorably known over the county, as a prominent merchant and a gentleman of honor and integrity. He was born in Berks county, Oct. 3, 1829. His ancestors were Palatines from Germany, who removed to America as early as 1714, thro the dense forest to Schoharie, and seated themselves among the Mohawks, west of Albany. They succeeded in improving several settlements. Leaving there, wended their way thro the forest to the Susquehanna, came down it in canoes, and settled in Lower Heidelberg township, Berks county, in 1729. In 1756, Peter Fisher's name occurs in the assessment of Heidelberg township. He was the great-grandfather of Maj. Fisher, and in the graveyard of Haines' church hard by where they settled, lie Maj. Fisher's ancestors for five generations.

Maj. Fisher came with his father Adam, to Penn Hall, then called Centreville, in 1842, and engaged in milling and merchandising. Maj. Fisher took charge of the Penn Hall store in 1849. A fire on Jan. 4, 1854 destroyed his store. He, after the death of his father, also came in possession of his Father's Mills store and mill property. In 1863 he purchased the Musser farm. In 1881 Maj. Fisher purchased the "Auchentorlie" farm, residence of the late Gen. George Buchanan, and belonging to the family of Governor McKean. The Major made many improvements at Penn Hall that gave the village its life. He was one of the founders of the academy. He also paid for a scholarship in Franklin and Marshall College, for the benefit of Centre County students, and was a director of the College.

He held the appointment of postmaster of the place since President Pierce's administration, a period of 12 years; he was also a charter member of the Farmer's Mutual Fire Insurance Co. of Centre Co., and served continuously as one of its directors.

He was identified with the military organizations of the valley. Of the Marion Infantry he became lieutenant and then captain. In 1852 he was elected brigade inspector of the Third Brigade 14th Div., serving until 1859. He never was a seker after office, but took pleasure in strictly confining himself to business. He was an active and influential Democrat.

He was a devoted member of the Reformed church and consistent with its teachings, and most liberal in its support. A kind neighbor and high-minded citizen he will be missed in that community.

Maj. Fisher was married in 1854, to Miss Sarah L. Weaver, only daughter of the late George Weaver, of Haines township, and surrounded by a happy family of three sons and three daughters. One son and a married daughter have preceded him to the other shore.

DESERTED HIS FIRST WIFE AND MARRIES AGAIN.

Desertion, Adultery and Bigamy are the Indictments Charged Against R. C. Lyle Formerly of Centre Hall.

"Is marriage a failure?"

This is a question that is agitating the minds of thousands every day and although there are many who think that it is, there are still a few who think it is not. When a man has two wives and families living at the same time then we must say that marriage is a failure.

R. C. Lyle, formerly of Centre Hall, but later of Bellwood and now of Fort Condo, Bellefonte, may be able to give some information about married life and its troubles. He certainly can tell something about the unpleasant ending of some marital periods. He was brought from Bellwood on Friday and lodged in jail in this place charged with desertion, adultery and bigamy.

It seems that in 1888 Lyle married a Miss Kate Keller of near Centre Hall. Their married life only lasted about a year when it was suddenly brought to a close by the disappearance of the husband. During their year of married bliss, a child was born and when his father skipped out the mother and child were left destitute and without any means of support. Nothing was heard of Lyle and it was thought that he would never be seen again in this country. Five years had elapsed since his sudden disappearance from his young bride and the fact that such a person as Lyle ever lived was forgotten by almost everybody. Not so was this true in the case of his wife. She had been on the lookout for him ever since he had left her and last summer she came to Bellefonte and had information made out against him. It was learned that Lyle was living in Bellwood where he was employed in the railroad paint shops. It was also discovered that he had another wife and child living at that place. On Thursday of last week a warrant was issued and Officer Garis departed for Bellwood to bring back the truant and deceiving husband. Upon his arrival in Bellwood Officer Garis found that his man was not in town just then but would be there on the next train from Punksutawney. Stationing himself near the depot, he watched for Lyle and was soon rewarded for his efforts by seeing the man he was after alighting from the train and rapidly disappearing up the street. Lyle had evidently been informed that officers were after him and instead of going to his home, he went to the home of his father. Garis saw him enter the house and in company with a constable from Bellwood he went to the house and asked for Mr. Lyle. He was told that that person was not in the house but not heeding this information he and the constable made a search of the premises and found their man crouched down on the floor in the attic. It took but a moment to put the handcuffs on him during which time the officers were "blessed" in warm terms by the female portion of the family. Garis took the first train for home and had his prisoner safely lodged in jail at this place by 5 o'clock Friday evening.—Daily News.

Sheriff's Sale.

Great bargains in all kinds of clothing at the Philadelphia Branch, a full line of men and boys' wear, at sheriff sale sacrifice prices. Bargains that beat anything known.

POTTER TWP.

INCIDENTS FROM EARLY HISTORY.

Early Settlers Suffer From Hunger and Some of them are Killed by the Indians.

The officers of Potter township in 1776 were: Constable, John McConnell; supervisors, Joseph McGrew and George McCormick; overseers, George Woods and Adam Harper.

In February, 1777, John Livingston and John McMillan represented Potter township in the Committee of Safety. Joseph McGrew was constable of the township, and on the 9th of June John Livingston was appointed one of the justices of the courts of Northumberland county.

On the 6th of April Gen. James Potter was commissioned a brigadier-general of militia, and as early as the 19th of June he was in active service near Philadelphia. The following is an extract from a letter to him at camp, dated at Fort Augusta (Sunbury,) Sept. 26, 1777, from Col. Samuel Hunter: "I received an express from Col. Crookson Long, at Bald Eagle, that he had discovered a party of Indian warriors about forty miles above the Great Island, and upon making this known the inhabitants thereabouts fled from their places, which induced me to order up the first class of militia to the Great Islands to encourage the people thereabouts. Two of the inhabitants are missing, supposed to be captured."

Col. John Kelly, of Buffalo valley, was in October sent up to the Great Island in command of fifty men, and had with him Job Chilloway, the friendly Indian, and found the inhabitants, to the number of five hundred men, women and children, with the families of some friendly Indians, assembled at the mouth of the Bald Eagle, at Antes' Mill (opposite Jersey Shore,) and at Locoming Creek.

Gen. Potter spent the summer and winter with the army, commanding his brigade, at Germantown, and occupying the picket lines of Washington's army while encamped during the winter at Valley Forge.

In the suit of Miles vs. Barber, Nov. 30, 1810, Robert McKim testified: "I came to Penn's valley in 1777. George Woods then lived in a cabin, described by George McCormick (ante, 1773-74,) within the lines of Potter's survey the house and improvement on the north side. Another man was with me. We could not come through Kishacoquillas. My brother-in-law and Mr. McGrew's brother met us in the Narrows, and came back with us to the Great Plains. Some of the women took a path and went by Woods'. We took off at that fork and drove up near to McGrew's Mills. There were perhaps twenty settlers in 1777, and our first tax was in 1785. I removed in the spring of 1778, came back in the fall, and wintered in the valley. I returned in 1784, brought my family in 1785. George Woods came back in 1784. Can't tell when Barber settled, but it was before 1790. Barber built the house where Alexander lives, front of Gregg's house, and the tavern at Potter's Mills. I was at Woods' in 1784, when he lived on the north side of the creek. There was a settlement in Brush valley before I came. They came to mill. There was a road from Penn's valley around the end of Nittany mountain. A path came over at Connelly's."

According to a statement of Rev. J. H. Boggs, another alarm was given in 1778. The date is fixed by the letter of Arthur Buchanan, referred to below. He says:—

"My father (Judge Boggs) started over the mountain for aid to protect them. He was away three days. After he left my grandmother took her little children upon Muncy Mountain, and remained there until he returned with a party of militia. As the latter came along the foot of the mountain they heard the children crying for bread. The militia were then divided among the settlers, and confidence was partially restored, when one night, while the men were lying around the fire, my grandmother in a small bedroom adjoining, she heard something at her window which warned her of danger. She awoke the men who immediately rushed out, but the Indians fled. It appeared they went immediately to the house of Jonas Davis, and one of them opened the door and stepped boldly in. One of the men hearing him enter sprang to the door but before the others had time to act, the Indians escaped from him, and then discharged the gun at the door. The ball passed through and killed the soldier, who was on the next day taken up to my grandmother's and buried.

"The same party of Indians, as was supposed, passed over into Nittany valley, and killed Abraham Stanford and part of his family. One of the

boys they took with them, but after some years he escaped and returned to the settlements. In 1840 I became acquainted with two of that boy's children in Clarion county, Pa. After the runaway, Judge Boggs, who was a boy of seventeen or eighteen, made several visits to the house to see after the stock which was not molested by the Indians. On one occasion he came suddenly upon an Indian, who recognized him and assured him of friendship on account of his father (then dead) who had been a "big medicine-man" and a great friend of the Indians. They traveled together that day, slept in an empty cabin at night, and parted the next morning taking different paths. The Indian went a few miles further, and surprised and murdered a whole family which had returned, supposing the danger had passed."

A BETTER R.R. ROUTE.

Letter from a Prominent Somerset Co. Citizen.

Editor of the REPORTER:

In your issue of 19 of December, it is said the Central Railroad Co. intend extending their line to Port Matilda, thence to Phillipsburg to connect with the Phillipsburg & Altoona Railroad now being constructed.

Would it not be less expensive and more expedient to extend it from Port Matilda to connect at or near Hollidaysburg with the Pennsylvania Midland, which is almost ready for the locomotives, to Cessna, in Bedford county, and which company have located and done work, on a branch from Osterburg up a tributary of Dunning's creek, said to be a comparatively light grade to Sheldon's Gap, on the summit of Allegheny mountain; thence to Central City in Somerset county, a survey and location of which has been made, thereby leaving the traffic of a large quantity of timber and the valuable coal fields of Somerset county, extending southward a distance of some forty miles, and the width of twelve to fifteen miles, as clearly demonstrated by a map locating the different veins of the bearing and production measures of the very best of semibituminous coals for generating steam or converting into coke, which was proposed by John Fulton, Ass't Geologist, assisted by Isaac A. Harvey, Geologist, and Alfred G. Prosser, Mining Engineer, with additions and connections from MS. Maps of various dates in the offices of the South Pennsylvania and Baltimore & Ohio Railroads, by E. B. Harden, Top. and Assistant Geologist, inserted in State Geological Report, H H II, 1877.

Four Patents Issued.

The department of internal affairs has granted four patents to the Clearfield bituminous corporation, covering 1,600 acres of land in Centre and Clearfield counties. This land has been without any legitimate owner up to this date save the commonwealth and it has been acquired for practically nothing.

Got 29 Pheasants.

C. K. Sober, accompanied by Dr. Warren, state ornithologist, was in Sugar valley last week on a three day's hunt, and returned last Friday with a string of 29 pheasants that made our mouth water. When Sober raises his gun, a pheasant is sure to drop.

New Lumber Job.

Henry Gingerich, living a short distance above Linden Hall, is making preparations to saw up his large timber tract on his farm, and is now having a portable sawmill plant erected on the run a short distance north of his residence, to do the work.

Readable Inklets.

We had a green Christmas, and the old wise ones say that always means a white Easter. Just wait and see.

Harry Dinges' new house is now under roof and has the siding on. He will have it ready for occupancy by spring.

John Frank, a well-known resident of Millheim, has been seriously ill the past two weeks.

Union County Deaths.

In New Berlin, Dec. 4, Wm. Dunkelberger, aged 63 years.

In Lewisburg, Dec. 15, wife of C. H. Hassenplug, aged 53.

In New Berlin, Dec. 15, wife of Edward Engle, aged 35 years.

Clothing at Sacrifice Prices.

A full supply of men's and boys' clothing at sacrifice prices, on account of sheriff's sale, at the old Philadelphia Branch. Never a chance like it for bargains in or out of Bellefonte, like at the old Lewins stand.

Dr. Shields, an eminent physician of Tennessee, says: "I regard Ayer's Sarsaparilla as the best blood-medicine on earth, and I know of many wonderful cures effected by its use." Physicians all over the land have made similar statements.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

A German scientist proclaims that "the chewing of cloves will kill all the microbes that happen to get into a man's mouth." What does it profit a young man, however, to kill his character and his microbes at the same time?

Captain James in a recent address at the Royal United Service Institute in London declared that modern military development would inevitably shorten the period of war. Moreover, he asserted, while at the actual point of battle the destruction of life would be vastly increased, the aggregate loss of men in an entire war would be really reduced by the improved means of treating the wounded.

An investigator has discovered that there are 238 lawyers in Congress, 41 farmers, 27 editors, 28 manufacturers, 1 railroad manager, 2 steamboat owners, 14 teachers and college professors, 25 bankers, 20 merchants, 1 house-builder, 3 clergymen, 7 who say they are "engaged in business," 8 doctors, 1 architect, 1 music teacher, 1 owner of oil wells, 5 miners, 2 insurance agents, 1 theater manager, 1 manufacturer of ice, 3 civil engineers, 9 lumbermen, 2 owners of stone quarries, 2 real estate agents, 1 pharmacist and 1 steamboat captain.

It has been calculated that if the world keeps on developing as at present—orses, cattle and sheep will become extinct and man will be differentiated into two distinct animals, an upper world of "feeble prettiness," and a most repulsive subterranean race reduced to mere mechanical industry. In the course of a few millions of years the motion of the earth on its axis, which is supposed to be growing slower every year on account of the friction of the tides, will have ceased entirely and the earth will present a constant face to the sun.

The Atlanta Constitution call attention to the valuable advertising that has been given to the South by the Exposition. "Twenty-five governors," it says, "twenty-four State press associations, the chambers of commerce of perhaps forty leading cities, hundreds of mayors, scores of senators and congressmen, the President and his cabinet, the New England Manufacturers' Association, the bankers of the country, the National Farmers' Convention and dozens of other big organizations have come and gone, and in every quarter of the Union they have sung the praises of the Exposition and of the South."

Uncle Sam puts photography to a unique use in the far off seal islands. These he has photographed annually. The views, taken in sections, are afterward fitted together in Washington, where, by means of a strong glass, the seals are counted. Thus a sort of census is taken, and the increase or decrease of the herds approximated. It will be a good day, in the opinion of the Pathfinder, when our decennial census enumerator comes to our door, armed with a kodak, instead of voluminous schedules of irrelevant questions, and says, simply, "Ole button does it all."

The United States Fish Commission Ship Albatross, has just returned to San Francisco, after a cruise of seven months in far northern waters. During this time she has been engaged in deep sea fishing, and has made many important finds of new fishes. One specimen totally unlike anything yet described in the books was taken at a depth of 1700 fathoms, or nearly two miles. It was physically constructed so as to stand the enormous weight of water at this great depth, a weight that would crush to death any ordinary fish. When drawn to the surface its stomach had been filled out of its mouth, and both eyes were popped out of their sockets. It was unable to live in the shallower depths.

A curious case of pro longation of life comes from Piedmont, Cal. Pneumonia had attacked a man and closed up so much of his lung, that he could not inhale enough air to sustain life. Oxygen, of course, was the element that was wanted, and the physician in charge procured a number of receivers full of this gas and administered some of it to the patient every fifteen minutes. For a week the man not only kept alive but showed marked improvement. But suddenly pneumonia set in, resulting in death. About 3,200 gallons of oxygen was given within the week. Small quantities of the life-giving gas have been frequently administered. This case tends to show that its use in large quantities would be beneficial in some cases.

According to a Los Angeles (Cal.) paper, a number of Los Angeles men have received a concession from the Mexican Government of the Island of Tiburon, in the Gulf of California. A company of 300 men is being organized under the command of J. H. Polk. Each man is to receive \$250 and a hundred acres of land, after the island is conquered. The money for the expedition is being put up by Colonel Bradbury, who inherited a million or so a few years ago. There are only about 100 male Indians on the island, but they are said to be such valiant fighters that the Mexican Government despaired of subduing them, and has offered the island to Bradbury and his companions, if they would undertake the work. It is the intention of the Tiburon Conquest Company, as the new corporation is called, to establish a republic of its own and have the United States establish a protectorate. It is stated that Mexico has consented to this. One of the objects of the company is to establish a great resort, and lines of steamers will be put on from both Yuma and Guaymas.

There are surviving and upon the United States pensions rolls twelve widows and daughters of Revolution-

ary soldiers, while the war of 1812 is represented by twenty-one survivors and 3,826 widows. There are 12,586 survivors of the Mexican war. There are in the United States eighteen pension agencies. There are residing abroad 3,481 persons who draw pensions to the extent of \$695,000, 1,737 of these living in Canada, 664 in Great Britain, 573 in Germany. The names, ages and residence of widows of Revolutionary soldiers surviving are as follows: Lovey Aldrich, aged ninety-five, Los Angeles, Cal.; Nancy Cloud, eighty-two, Cham. Va.; Susannah Chadwick, eighty, Emporium, Pa.; Esther S. Damon, eighty-one, Plymouth Union, Vt.; Sarah C. Hubert, seventy-seven, Chatham Valley, Pa.; Nancy Jones, eighty-one, Jonesboro, Tenn.; Rebecca Mayo, eighty-two, Newbern, Vt.; Patty Richardson, ninety-four, East Bethel, Vt.; Mary Sneed, seventy-nine, Parkersley, Va.; Ann M. Slaughter, eighty-five, Mitchell's Station, Va.; Asenath Turner, ninety, Manchester, N. Y.; Nancy Weatherman, eighty-five, Luebeck, Tenn.

Instruction in regard to the laws of health and the effect of stimulants on the human system is now obligatory in many of the states of the Union. In view of this fact, a petition was recently sent to the trustees of the American University, at Washington, asking that there might be created in it a department for such original investigation, study and instruction as would furnish to the country the needed teachers of teachers in the new and almost universally mandatory branch of public school instruction above referred to. The Board of Trustees of the American University complied with this request on certain conditions, and appointed a committee, viz.: Bishop John F. Hurst, L.L.D.; the Rev. Chas. H. Payne, L.L.D.; and Vice Chancellor Samuel L. Beller, Ph. D., to meet the Board of Counsel of the Temperance Educational Association to arrange all details. At a meetings just held in New York it was agreed that upon the payment to the treasurer of the American University of the sum of \$250,000, or such lesser sum as should be deemed by the Board of Trustees sufficient for the beginning of the work of said school, there should be inaugurated a department of the university to be called "The College of Scientific Temperance," which shall be a college of investigation and instruction in physiology, hygiene and pathology, with special reference to the nature of alcohol and kindred substances, together with their effects upon mankind.

CURED BY SWEATING.

Rheumatism Yields to the Air of an Old Cave in Italy.

There is in Italy a bath, a natural vapour bath, in a mountain grotto, where men and women sit in simple robes and give themselves up to the passive process of perspiration. If they have got it makes them better; if they have rheumatism it gives them great relief. Though not a fashionable resort, the Grotto of Giusti might well be one, so pretty is its situation at the foot-hills of the Apennines, not far from Luca. Garibaldi was cured there, and Ludwig Kossuth—just by sitting within it and letting the humors of the blood sweat themselves out through the skin's pores. More than fifty years ago, while working in a lime quarry on land belonging to the poet Giusti, after whom the grotto is named, the discovery of the hole was made. The strange stalactite structure drew many visitors. The astonishing perspiration brought on by the strength of the air in it reminded one of a Turkish bath. But it was more than a curiosity—it was a cure. Old sufferers from the gout left the grotto entirely well, or else greatly helped, till the grotto's reputation grew to such an extent that a building was erected by the owner for the accommodation of the patients.

Each day at a specified time the patients, clad in long garments and light slippers descend through a sloping passage to a cellar-like apartment. The air now is warm and damp. Guided by a bath attendant clothed in a single robe, they continue through the long, widening way, lighted by side lamps and swinging chandeliers. The space widens. On one side there is an abyss in which there is water. Rocks throw shadows over the gulf. Then the passage narrows again, the air grows warmer, and presently the patient enters a large lighted cavern.

With a "Perspire well," the guide disappears. Seating themselves upon the benches the patients await with high hopes the results of the heat. The air is saturated with dampness, yet light and easy to breathe. Crevices in the walls and ceiling provide fresh air to the cave. In a few minutes beads of perspiration cover the skin, and soon it runs off in drops. Patients remain in this state one or two hours or longer. Then they are rubbed off, and, wrapped in dry woollen clothes, conveyed to their rooms, where they rest quietly another half hour.

Merely as a sensation this air bath is delightful. Men and women chat with one another while taking it, and so pass the time quickly. Its many cures, recently, have brought it into notice again throughout Europe.

From Finger to Foot.

Twenty years ago Mrs. C. S. Warner, of Windsor, Vt., broke off about a third of a fine cambric needle in one of her fingers. The needle was not extracted, and after a while ceased to trouble her. A few days she felt a pricking sensation in the bottom of her foot, and on trying to discover the cause she felt a sharp point sticking out of her foot. A doctor was called, and he drew from her foot the piece of needle that had entered her finger a score of years ago. The steel was as bright as when new.

THE LIME KILN CLUB.

Interesting Lecture by the Hon. Whyfore Jackson.

It was known to most members of the Lime Kiln Club, that the Hon. Whyfore Jackson, of Louisiana, was in town, the guest of Brother Gardner, and no one was therefore greatly surprised to hear the president announce at the opening of the Saturday night meeting that the distinguished visitor would consume the evening in delivering his world-renowned lecture on the subject of "Human Man."

As soon as the meeting had been duly opened Giveadam Jones and Waydown Bebee escorted the orator into the hall. He looked to be a short, fat, one-story man of a faded raspberry color, but he had the dignity of a man who knows that he has \$5 in cash in his pocket, and his board paid in advance, and no visible signs of embarrassment were apparent as he surveyed the audience before him and began:

"My friends, de subject of my orashun to-night is 'Human Man.' It is an orashun dat I erected myself, widout any help. I didn't steal it from Shakespeare, an' I didn't hire no white man to write it. (Sensation.) I was ober ten y'ars gittin' dis orashun together. I went slow an' sure. I didn't propose to fall into any mistakes. I knowed dere was a heap to talk about, an' I wanted to git it all in whar' it belonged. I will now purreed:

"Man! Who an' what is man? What was man created for? Why was he created in de form of a man instead of a hyena? What use is he? What was he bo'n fur? In seekin' to answer dese qeshuns, my frens, you insensibly find yourselves delving into de regions of philosophy an' foilerin' de unknown paths of spekulashun. In de first place, what was de use of all dis world widout man? It would simply be so much land an' water gwine to waste. (Cries of 'Heal! Heal!') 'Spose all dese yere rabbits an' possums an' chickens war' runnin' around widout anybody to make use of 'em—what a shameful waste of meat it would be! (Groans.) Dat's one reason man was put yere—to eat chickens an' sich. ('Yum, yum!')

"What is man?" continued the speaker, as he shifted his weight to his left leg. "He's a substance composed of skin, blood, bones, teeth, toe-nails, brains, ha'r, and so on. He was created fust, an' out of de best goods in de market. Dat's de reason he's a heap purtier dan a dog or a cat. (Sensation.) If he had happened to hev been created along about fifth or sixth he might hev bin a ground-hog or a whale. (Involuntary shivers.) Dar an' several different sorts of men, as moast of you probably know. Dey wasn't all made of de same color nor in de same shape, kase dat would hev bin monotonous. It would hev tried de eye, same as lookin' at a flock of white sheep. Dar an' no sort of qeshun in my mind dat black used to be de moast popular color in de beginnin' of things. (Heal! Heal!) But de white man forced his way in an' got hisself boosted up to de top by some sort of gun game. (Groans and mutterings.)

"Did you eber stop to think why man didn't grow to be ten feet high an' to weigh a ton? You probably never did, an' yit de explanashuns an' right to hand. If he was ten or seven feet high he couldn't walk around no back yard widout sawin' his neck on a clothesline, an' if he weighed a ton, an' de roof of his hen house sprung a leak, how'd he eber git up dar to fix it? (Great sensation.) Man was bo'n to walk uprightly. Why wasn't he bo'n to go on four legs like a dog? Dis philosophical qeshun probably nebber occurred to your Intellect, but de reason is plain. You couldn't hev crowded ober ten of him into a street kyar, to once." (Cries of: A-h-h-h!)

The speaker here paused to wipe his heated brow and moisten his throat with a potato tablet, and after a brief rest continued:

"While man is de highest order of creatashun, he has at de same time got de moast low traits of character about him. While on my way from Canada some man stole my umbrella from under my very nose. (Decided sensation.) an' on two oder occasions efforts war' made to despoil me of my satchel. Dat was de work of man. Would de lion, de tiger, de elephant, or de grizzly bear descend to sich petty meanness? (Cries of 'No! never!') Wolves lib together in harmony, but man is allus in a fuss. De hyena knows when he's got a good thing, but man is allus wantin' better. Take an old hoss or a mowl, an' you kin depend upon him ebery day in de week. Take de average man an' you needn't expect to find him twice alike de same day. (Applause from Elder Toots, which was broken short off by Giveadam Jones giving him a kick.) Of what use is man? He thinks he's a heap of use, but he's dun mistaken 'bout dat. De world was heah befo' he cum. It would hev bin right heah now if no body had eber bin bo'n. Man jist comes, slishes around, kicks up a dust, an' departs, an' de blackberry crop of de next y'ar is jist as large as if he had libed on." (Samuel Shin sheds tears.)

"My frens," continued the orator as he tightened his left suspender by an inch, "man is a pore, useless, misguided critter. He's generous one day an' stingy de next. He's away up on de pinnacle of greatness at 10 o'clock in de mawnin', an' at 3 in de afternoon he'll dodge around a corner to git shot of givin' a blind man a cent. (Cries of 'That's so, old man!') One day he'll put his hand into his pocket an' give an orphan asylum a hundred dollars, an' de next he'll sue a pore man fur de value of two shillin's. (Yes! Yes! It an' my candid opinion, based upon ten y'ars of observashun, dat man an' a fallure as a man. (Sensation.) He would hev made a fust-rate animal or a bird, and would hev bin a decided success as an alligator. I hev no recomends to make. Man is as he is,

an' he can't be no different. (Groans.) After de meetin' is out a collectashun will be taken up fur de benefit of de undersigned, who's mighty sorry he wasn't bo'n a rhinoceros. Thankin' you fur your interest an' courtesy, I will now bid you a percolated good-night an' stand at de doah as you go out."

There was a roar of applause which should have made the orator proud of his talents, and he stepped down with a patronizing smile and took a position where he could shake hands with each member as he passed out. The collection figured up nine cents in cash, and when he had counted it over three times the Hon. Mr. Jackson tossed the pennies in the wood-box and walked down stairs with his toga wrapped about him and disappeared in the darkness.

A Rheumatic's Museum.

A Fifteenth ward man who has been a life-long sufferer from rheumatism has a queer collection of alleged "cures" arranged in a neat cabinet. One shelf is devoted to a series of small, wrinkled objects, which look and feel like large pebbles. They are not pebbles, however, but potatoes which have become almost petrified through being carried a long time in the pocket of the rheumatic gentleman. Each potato is marked with a small label bearing some such inscription as this: "Carried from November 12, 1878, to May 18, 1880. Very efficacious." The collector claims that the potato carried in the trousers pocket has proved to be the best of the many remedies he has ever tried. He carries one potato until the return of his rheumatic twinges seem to testify to the decline of the tuber's curative properties. Then he takes a new potato, and looks the old one up in his cabinet. On the other shelves of the cabinet are several shriveled horse chestnuts, a string of amber beads, a dried-up rabbit's foot, the right foot of "an Eastern Sho' Crow," a number of iron finger rings, a few horseshoe nails, and several other odds and ends. "All these things seem to have given me more or less relief," says the collector.

The Seasons in Iceland.

The Icelanders divide the year into the light and dark seasons. It is a strange sensation to a foreigner who goes to the far North between the months of March and August to find that he is beyond the region of night. To one accustomed to wait for retiring until shut in by the darkness, the continuous light soon becomes wearisome. With the sun above the horizon and a singularly rare atmosphere an evening walk may be unconsciously continued until midnight, and an interesting book may cause one to forget the hours for sleep until the maid enters the room with the morning coffee. After a few days of this activity, nature begins to assert her claims, and instead of the sun dial, the watch is entrusted with nocturnal registration. A nap in the middle of the day may be restful and pleasant, but regularly to retire in broad daylight seems unnatural.

During June and a part of July the sun does not set, though for a few hours about midnight it is visible only from the mountain tops, while in the valleys is seen all the glories of a regular sunset, and no Italian sky can boast of greater splendor. At times the colors are intensified, as if each would claim by contrast the richest beauty; then by hands invisible the scene is shifted, until all is enveloped in a calm, loveliness, betokening the rest and harmony of an unseen world.

The Lava of Iliho.

Ages ago a vast river of fire poured down the centre of the State of Idaho. This river consisted of molten lava, was 400 miles long, 100 miles wide, and from 300 to 900 feet thick. Across the corpse of this mighty river of fire a river of water has slowly cut a channel in several places. Born in the melting snow of the majestic Tetons, this river has cut its way for hundreds of miles through lava beds, in its course tumbling over numerous precipices until the great climax is reached at Shoshone Falls, where this mighty river makes an awful leap of 210 feet, a magnificent spectacle, in marked contrast to the desolate country on either side.

She Wasn't "Cross, Bertie."

The directory canvassers have some odd experiences. In making their rounds it is customary for them to note the surname first, and follow it with the christian name. One of the canvassers had occasion to call at a Pine street residence several days ago. A bright, cheerful looking young girl came to the door. He asked her name. "My name?" she answered, with a little wonder in her tone. "My name is Bertie Cross." She watched closely as he wrote "Cross, Bertie." Then she exclaimed, "Don't you dare to put my name down that way. That's my nick-name here at the house, but I want my name put in the directory as Bertie Cross or not at all."

Treatment of Electric Burns.

According to the authority of Dr. Thierry, if a burn is treated by the external application of a saturated solution of picric acid the pain ceases at once, no blisters will form and it will heal in four or five days; the yellow color which this acid gives to the skin may be removed with boric acid. He suggests that a small quantity of picric acid should always be kept on hand wherever workmen are subjected to the possibility of being burned. Although not so stated, it may be inferred that the treatment will be effective for burns caused by electric currents.

The London jam trade provides employment for 16,000 people.

Five Miles Down.

The deepest spot in the ocean has been found. More than five miles of wire ran out without the bottom being reached. Then the wire broke. This spot was recently discovered by the surveying ship Penguin, near the Friendly Islands, in the South Pacific. Commander Balfour, of that ship, reports that this remarkable discovery was made in latitude 23.40 south, longitude 175.10 west. When he first discovered this extraordinary hole, which so far as we know now is bottomless, Captain Balfour attempted to take the depth and the sounding line was run out.

After 4,200 fathoms had run out over the side of the ship, the wire broke, and a rising sea and wind prevented any further attempt of the kind being made. Upon the second attempt he managed to pass 4,900 fathoms, of 29,400 feet of the wire over the ship's side before the wire broke, and put an end to the experiment.

The deepest hole in the ocean previously known was close to the coast of Japan, where a sounding had been made of 4,655 fathoms. This is 245 fathoms, or more than 1,400 feet shallower than the deep hole which has now been discovered.

How much deeper it goes than 4,900 fathoms no man can know. It is a piece of water more than five miles deep. What the pressure must be at the bottom no scientist has yet been bold enough to conjecture. There is no glass instrument that could resist this pressure. It would be impossible with the most approved scientific appliances to take the temperature at this enormous depth.

No living thing that is known to science could exist at a depth so great as this, where the pressure must be equal to many hundred or thousand foot tons, sufficient to squeeze the life out of any fish. Even brass and iron instruments lowered to this enormous depth would be twisted and distorted.

The most painstaking work in lowering a piano wire to sound a depth such as this will not suffice to keep it from breaking. This is because of the friction of the water against the wire.

In spite of every appliance of balance and spring in the machinery on deck, designed to counteract the motion of the vessel, the increase and decrease of pressure caused by rising and falling on a wave will snap the strongest wire when it has been lowered to so great a distance.

All of the water at the bottom must support the weight of the water on top of it. The consequence is that the water in the lowest depths is compressed under enormous pressure.

The theory has been advanced that some strange unknown creatures may live in this highly compressed water. There may be fish of a kind so peculiar that they cannot exist closer to the surface, where the water is thinner and the pressure less.

Through countless ages of living in the darkest, deepest depths of ocean these fish may have evolved forms and natures unknown to men of science, because hitherto such vast depths have been unexplored. What the bottom of such a place may be like is only a matter of conjecture.

It may support a fauna and flora of its own. It may have its own plant and animal life, which some daring scientist will bring to light to astonish and amaze the scientific world.

Here, where there can be no light, the fish, if fish there be, must be eyeless, like that queer breed of fish, which Darwin cited existed in the rivers of the Mammoth Cave, but still, under the scalpel of the scientist disclosing what is known in biology as a "rudimentary eye." The fishes of these deepest depths may have rudimentary eyes and rudimentary lungs.

They may have been pressed hard and flat like a pancake by the enormous weight of the water above them, and may indeed move about by a method as strange and curious as was that of the kangaroo when first brought to the attention of Europe. These are questions for the scientific world to solve. They have been brought to the front by the discovery of the Penguin of a spot in the ocean deeper than any that has been known hitherto.

Raising Muskrats for Profit.

Back of Afton, Va., in the mountains there lives a queer old man, who is a born trapper and hunter. He owns a little farm at the foot of the ridge, on which he raises corn and other produce, but it is chiefly valuable to him because it has a number of running brooks which furnish homes for myriads of the little fur-bearing animals, the muskrats, better known as the muskrat. The trapper carefully protects the little animals, and will allow no trespassing on his preserves. He has fenced off, in many places, wet spots in the swaley meadows, where the rats can build their nests undisturbed by the poacher or neighboring dogs. His furs he carefully cures and markets in person to Staunton for the Northern trade, which pays well for good skins.

War On Cats.

It is sad to see what a great prejudice exists against pussy in most parts of Germany, where the people are otherwise, as a rule, kind to animals. In Munich there is an Anti-Cat Society, which gives a reward for every cat's tail brought to its members. The society says that cats are of no use, that they kill the singing birds, spread contagion and never kill a mouse if they can catch a bird.

The tea plant may be grown anywhere in the Southern States of this country.

In London 201 streets are named after the Queen.

WHY IS THE SEA SALT?

It Has Been So Ever Since the Creation of the World.

The sea at present contains 90,000,000,000,000,000 tons of salt. If this salt could be gathered in a solid form and compressed into the shape of a cube, it would contain 10,173,000 cubic miles. Each edge of such a cube would measure somewhat more than two hundred miles. This is enough to cover all the land on this globe with a uniform layer of salt to a depth of one thousand feet.

This statement as to the saltiness of the sea is interesting enough in itself, but it is also suggestive. The questions may well be asked, where did all this salt come from and what is the use of it. Several scientific gentlemen have attempted to give an idea of the chemical conditions of the atmosphere which surrounded this planet in the course of its formation, and describe an early period in the existence of the earth as follows:

"The surface of the earth was covered with lumps of molten rock (probably resembling furnace slag). The depressed parts of the surface were filled with highly heated solutions of hydrochloric and sulphuric acids, which ate into the surface and decomposed it. In this way the silicates were changed to pure silica, taking the form of quartz as the atmosphere cooled, and the condensation of the vaporous atmosphere produced sea water, holding in solution plates of sodium, calcium and magnesium, and salts of ammonium. The atmosphere, thus freed of its noxious elements, became pure and fit for man."

It is therefore evident that the sea has been salty from the creation of the world. The salt does not come, as is generally supposed, from friction of the water against salt "rocks" in the bed of the ocean. This, then, answers the first question. Where did the salt come from? The second question is pretty well answered by Mr. G. W. Littlehales in Popular Science Monthly.

"It seems," he says, "that the sea was made salt in the beginning as a part of the grand design of the Creator to provide for the system of evolution which has been going on since the creation. Many distinct species of living organisms exist in the sea as a result of its salinity, and their remains have largely contributed to the growth of continents."

The minute creatures that have lived in the sea for ages past have left enduring monuments in the shape of islands, rocks and continents. If the sea had not been salty these marine animals could not have existed and secreted hard substance known as a "calcareous skeleton," which has largely contributed to the growth of continents. Among these earlier inhabitants of the sea were corals, crinoids, sea urchins and star fishes.

The saltiness of the sea has also much to do with the ocean currents, which distribute the heat of the tropics over the colder regions of the earth. Currents are largely due to the difference between the specific gravity of sea water and the fresh water of rains. Thus when rain falls on a certain part of the ocean the effort of the heavier salt water of the ocean to establish an equilibrium causes a current.

An Easy Headache Cure.

A good cure for headache lies in the simple act of walking backward. Just try it some time if you have any doubt about it. A correspondent says: "I have yet to meet a person who didn't acknowledge its efficacy after a trial. Nobody has yet discovered or formulated a reason why such a process should bring certain relief."

"Physicians say that it is probably because the reflex action of the body brings about a reflex action of the brain, and thus drives away the pain that, when produced by nervousness, is the result of too much going forward. As soon as you begin to walk backward, however, there comes a sensation of everything being reversed, and that is followed by relief. The relief is always certain and generally speedy. Ten minutes is the longest I have ever found it necessary. An entry, or a long, narrow room makes the best place for such a pamenade. You should walk very slowly, letting the ball of your foot touch the floor first, and then the heel—just the way, in fact, that one should, in theory, walk forward, but which, in practice, is so rarely done. Besides curing nervous headache, there is no better way to learn to walk well and gracefully forward than the practice of walking backward."

Oysters Embedded in Coal.

Patrick Haggerty, 20 years old, of Hoboken, is employed by George M. Sinclair, plumber, of that city. "In March last," said Haggerty, "I found in the chimneys taken from the kitchen stove a piece of coal as big as my fist, which seemed to have been charred, and thinking it would burn better in the range if made smaller I broke it with a hatchet."

"It split like a nutshell in two equal parts. It had buried about half way through. Imbedded in the very heart of the coal was what resembled a small oyster. The coal, in breaking, parted so that a shell was left set firmly in each of the two pieces. In the centre of the shell was a but or pearl."

The coal was kept as a curiosity for some time, but when the family returned from the country after the summer vacation it could not be found. The but is now just as it was when discovered. A small speck on it is probably due to a flaw or seam in the coal, which allowed the intense heat to enter.

The coffee plant is a variety of the chechina family.

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THE CENTRE REPORTER, with this issue, enters its sixty-ninth year, and extends the compliments of the season—a Happy New Year—to all its readers.

We are proud of the honorable record of this journal, proud of its usefulness and the good it has accomplished in Centre county. That was our aim in the past and will be our aim in the future. It is pleasing to know that we have so conducted the REPORTER as to gain for it the confidence, respect and support of the people of our county.

Under our future editorial management this paper will stand for the right upon all questions—and we simply ask that the people continue to stand by us in return. A disastrous fire a few years ago, destroyed for us the savings of a life-time, and left us to battle under a financial strain that few would have faced with the same motto, Our creditors first.

Fred Kurtz, jr., long an assistant upon this journal, will be associated with us in the paper—Fred Kurtz & Fred Kurtz, jr., Editors and Publishers.

THERE will be no pardon for the thief Bardsley. Had there been no cry against a pardon from the press and people of the state, he might now be a free man.

STUDY the character of the men who ask you to support them for office before promising them that you will vote for them. If the candidates are men of honor and probity, without any stain upon their public character, they are worthy your support. If there is anything in their past public life that does not meet with your approval, it is your right as an American citizen to refuse to support them.

EVERYBODY knows that Philadelphia is a Republican city—a city in which the Republican party has controlled the government continuously by great majorities. This is a picture of municipal misgovernment, corruption, protection of vice and crime, protection of fraud at the polls, demoralization of the young, and subjection of respectable citizens to the forces of immorality, in a city ruled now, as it has been for many years, by the Republican party, and the picture is drawn by a Republican committee and a Republican press.

THE Republicans in congress propose to pass a new tariff measure providing for a duty on wool and woolen goods. The proposed bill was opposed by the Democratic members of the house ways and means committee, but the Republicans decided to report the measure to the house. The Democrats claim that the woolen tariff is not necessary. It is certain that if wool is taxed the price of clothing will advance and the era of shoddy will again be inaugurated. The woolen manufacturers do not ask for a duty on wool, but the sheep raisers of Ohio demand it, and the Republicans cannot afford to oppose the wishes of the voters of Ohio.

THE Monroe doctrine, about which so much has been said recently, was enunciated by President James Monroe in his message to congress December, 1823. It is as follows:

"We owe it, therefore, to candor and to the amicable relations existing between the United States and the allied powers to declare that we should consider any attempt on their part to extend their system to any portion of this hemisphere as dangerous to our peace and safety. With the existing colonies or dependencies of any European power we have not interfered and shall not interfere, but with the governments who have declared their independence and maintained it, and whose independence we have, on great considerations and just principles, acknowledged, we could not view an interposition for the purpose of oppressing them or controlling in any other manner their destiny (by any European power) in any other light than as a manifestation of an unfriendly disposition toward the United States."

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100,000 split oak, and hickory spokes wanted. Call or address.

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For January Term of Court Beginning on Monday 28th.

For the first week of January court, commencing on Monday, January 28, 1896:

Jason Underwood vs. J. Willis Hoover et al.

Geo. W. Campbell vs. Wm. Wolf.

Elias Walk vs. Vinton Beckwith.

Bernheim Bros vs. Wm. Parker.

Overseer Poor Bellefonte vs. Overseer Poor Spring twp.

T. B. Buddinger vs. John Gunsalus.

J. W. Showalter vs. D. R. Thomas.

E. R. Holmes vs. Manhattan Club.

Jas. Shaeffer vs. C. R. R. Company of Pa.

Borough of Millheim vs. J. H. Reifsnnyder.

H. A. Moore vs. Hannah Stull.

Hannah E. Grove vs. D. P. Shafer.

Dewalt, Weirshoff & Co., vs. Wm. Parker.

Mary V. Hale et al vs. Jenkins & Lingle.

D. R. Foreman vs. Jacob Smith administrator.

Henry Stoner vs. Jacob Smith administrator.

Harry Rupert vs. Samuel Hagan.

Albert M. Womelsdorf, of Logan Mills, Clinton county, and Lizzie C. Fram, of Maron township.

SECOND WEEK.

Mary S. Gordon vs. Jos. R. Muffy.

Wm. P. Rishel and Rachael Ocker vs. American Ins. Co.

Wm. L. McDowell vs. G. S. Flegal.

W. A. Hartsock vs. W. F. Reeder et al.

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Hezekiah Ewing vs. G. W. McWilliams.

Michael Cameron vs. O. L. Schoonover et al.

Geo. W. Campbell vs. Geo. F. McMullen.

Fred Decker et al vs. Andrew Lytle.

Sugar Manufacturing company, vs Wm. Benner.

Michael Canaran vs. O. L. Schoonover et al.

John Holand vs Ed Hughes et al.

S. Wilson & Co. vs. Brandman & Gufand.

Jas. Ross vs. Cent. & K. T. R. Co.

W. S. Biglow vs O P Phillipsburg boro.

W. J. McGowan adm'r vs. Mary J. Donovan.

Thomas Barnes vs L. C. Brinton.

Wm. H. Taylor & Co. vs Wm. Parker.

Wm. Noll, adm'r vs Samuel Noll Jr.

Use of J. H. Taylor vs James A. Lingle.

James F. Weaver vs Dwelling House Ins. Co.

Susan Miles vs Boro of Milesburg et al.

Wm. J. Thompson vs. Wm. Parker et al.

W. F. Reynolds vs. Margaret Brockerhoff et al.

A. G. Curtin et al vs Joseph L. Neff et al.

Thomas Watson vs J. M. Green administrator.

McClam & Cook vs J. M. Green administrator.

TRIBUTE OF RESPECT.

Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God in his allwise providence to remove from among us by the grim hand of death, J. H. Musser, a faithful and efficient director and agent of our company, The Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of Centre county, Pa., and also a highly esteemed and respected citizen of the community.

Therefore, Resolved, By the directors of said Ins. Co., in session met Dec. 24th, 1895, that we bow in humble submission to God's will, knowing that he doeth all things well, and hereby tender our sincere sympathy to the friends and relatives of the departed in this their loss, directing them to the dispenser of life and death for refuge and consolation.

Resolved, That a copy of this action be entered on our minutes and be published in the CENTRE REPORTER.

J. C. SMITH,
SAM'L GRALLEY,
H. B. HERRING.

Reduction Sale.

Eclipsing our great Fire Sale of 1894, when we sold great quantities of goods in a short space of time. Stock is in much better condition—prices are lower, values are greater. No reasonable man expects to buy All Wool Suits, and All Wool Overcoats for the prices quoted for Shoddy and Satinets. We expect to get your trade—when you are through being decoyed, and have your eyes opened. Clothing is our business.

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For a pain in the chest a piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound on over the seat of the pain, and another on the back between the shoulders, will afford prompt relief. This is especially valuable in cases where the pain is caused by a cold and there is a tendency toward pneumonia. For sale by Wm. Pealer, Spring Mills; J. M. Swartz, Tusseyville, and R. E. Bartholomew, Centre Hall.

At Sheriff Sale Prices.

All goods formerly in the Philadelphia Branch store, clothing to suit men and boys of all ages and sizes, at sacrifice prices, a big supply and must be sold. Now for real bargains.

DANIEL BARTGES.

Died at His Home in Spring Mills on the 21st of December.

After an illness of some months, Daniel Bartges, a highly esteemed citizen of Spring Mills departed this life at an early hour on the morning of the 21st, and was interred in the cemetery at Rebersburg on the 24th. The funeral was largely attended. The deceased was for many years a very prominent and influential farmer of Penns valley, but of late years, owing to increasing infirmities and advancing age has lived a very retired life.

Four children survive him, two sons and two daughters. His wife, a very affectionate and highly accomplished lady, deceased about twelve or fifteen years ago, a bereavement from which he never fully recovered. Frequently when speaking of his farm, home, or incidentally referring to her his loss would be vividly recalled, and a shade of sorrow would seem to pass over his aged brow.

The deceased was an active farmer from his youth; busy on his wide acres early and late and ceased only when age admonished him and called a halt, with the reminder that he had journeyed through life's uneven road almost his three score years and ten. With a name and reputation unsullied, honorable and reliable in all his business transactions, his word circulated like current gold. A thorough farmer and polished gentleman; one of the old school, affable, kind and generous, liberal almost to a fault; none knew him but to love him.

No man, woman or child ever appealed to him in vain for aid; he was ever ready to assist the deserving and unfortunate, would part with his last coin, even deny himself, if he could cause poverty to smile or soothe the sick man's pillow. No ostentation marked his acts of charity and kindness; no vain show, for his left hand knew not what his right hand did; but these noble deeds were registered by the Recording Angel, to be revealed only on that last great day, which will be the ending of all that is; and those whom he befriended with such willing, generous hand, his decease will cause them many a silent tear.

Never more in this world will we behold his old familiar face and silvered locks, nor hear his kindly voice; all is hushed, all still; he sleeps in the city of the dead. We deeply sympathize with the family in their sad bereavement and we know how vain it is to try to soothe a grief like theirs with empty words.

Bitter, bitter tears will bedew the earth that covers his mortal remains from human sight; many times will his grave be visited by his dearly loved ones and there weep bitter tears that come not from the eyes. To these sad ones whose hearts are filled with grief and pain, let us point to that beautiful home beyond the stars, and persuade them to exclaim with us in the language of Him who died on Calvary, "Not my will oh Father, but Thine be done." C. C. C.

Free Pills.

Send your address to H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. A trial will convince you of their merits. These pills are easy in action and are particularly effective in the cure of consumption and sick headache. For malaria and liver troubles they have been proved invaluable. They are guaranteed to be perfectly free from every deleterious substance and to be purely vegetable. They do not weaken by their action, but by giving tone to stomach and bowels greatly invigorate the system. Regular size 25c. per box. Sold by J. D. Murray.

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Sarsaparilla

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral cures Coughs and Colds

LINDEN HALL.

Interesting News Items Gathered by Our Correspondent.

Mr. Lucian Spieker who had been on the sick list for some time is slowly improving.

Mrs. David Frantz has just returned from a trip to Blue Ball, Clearfield county, where she has been visiting among friends and reports having a good time.

Harry Swab, of Bellefonte, is visiting his grand parents at this place.

The railroad bridges on this section of the railroad have been undergoing repairs for the last week or two which will be quite an improvement when finished.

Miss Jennie Weible, of Watsonstown who has been spending her holiday vacation under the parental roof will return to her school on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Farnor of Potters Mills were visiting friends in and around town a few days last week.

We have had several good rains of late which were needed very badly; nothing could have been more welcome at this season of the year.

The Christmas entertainment held by the United Evangelical Sunday school on Christmas evening was very good, and the children and young people are to be praised for the natural and easy way in which they performed their parts. Many thanks is due to the kind people of the community for so ably assisting the school in giving their chairs and benches. The school house was crowded and good order prevailed throughout the service.

Miss Mame Bradford and her brother Clyde, of Centre Hall were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. Bradford on Christmas.

On Sunday while the Sunday school was in the midst of the lesson the announcement was made that the house of Mr. Henry Zeigler was in flames; it created quite a commotion and Sunday school was broken up. Mr. Zeigler's family all being present but two; quite a number of men and boys started in conveyances for the place but when within a half mile of the home it was discovered that the alarm was false as it was about one mile south east of their home on the Alexander farm.

The singing class that had been organized by Prof. E. W. Crawford will have to be closed as the Dubsites have been locked out of the church and the class also consider themselves locked out and some of the directors will not allow the school house to be used at night.

A little stranger called at the home of Frank Weiland on Tuesday last; Frank says it is a little girl and has come to stay.

G. A. R. COMMANDER

Jas. S. Dean, Gen. Grant Post, Rondout, N. Y.

CURED OF DYSPEPSIA.

Commander Dean writes: "As Chief U. S. Mail Agent of the U. & D. R. R., good health is indispensable. I found myself however all run down with Dyspepsia. I doctored and doctored, but I grew worse. I suffered misery night and day for fully two years. My case was pronounced incurable. I chanced to meet Dr. Kennedy about that time, and told him of my condition and he said, try a bottle of

DR. DAVID KENNEDY'S FAVORITE REMEDY

take it morning, noon and night, and it will cure you. I took the medicine as directed, but had no confidence in a cure, as my case had been tried by so many. After using it a week I began to feel better, and in a short while after that I was entirely cured. That terrible distress, everything I ate, breaking up sour in my throat had all gone and I have not had a moment's discomfort since. Today there isn't a healthier man and my appetite is grand."

CASH GOODS, CASH PRICES.

Beginning January 1st, 1896, we will sell goods for cash only. No books or accounts will be kept.

GOODS WILL BE SOLD AT SPOT CASH PRICES!

Country produce will be taken in exchange.

R. E. BARTHOLOMEW, Centre Hall.

COURT PROCLAMATION.—Whereas the Hon. John G. Love, President Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of the 21st Judicial District, consisting of the counties of Centre and Huntingdon, and the Hon. C. A. Faulkner, and the Hon. Benjamin Rich, Associate Judges in Centre, having issued their precept bearing date the 25th day of Dec. 1895, to me directed for holding a Court of Oyer and Terminer and general Jail Delivery and Quarter Sessions of the Peace in Bellefonte, for the county of Centre, and commencing on the 4th Monday of Jan., the 27th day of Jan. 1896, and to continue two weeks. Notice is hereby given to the Corner, Justices of the Peace, Aldermen and Constables of said county of Centre that they be then and there in the proper persons, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, with their records, inquisitions, examinations, and their own remembrances, to do those things which to their office appertain to cases to be prosecuted against the prisoners that are or shall be in the jail of Centre county, be then and there to prosecute against them as shall be just.

Given under my hand, at Bellefonte, the 25th day of Dec. in the year of our Lord, 1895, and the one hundredth and eighteenth year of the Independence of the United States.

JOHN P. CONDO, Sheriff.

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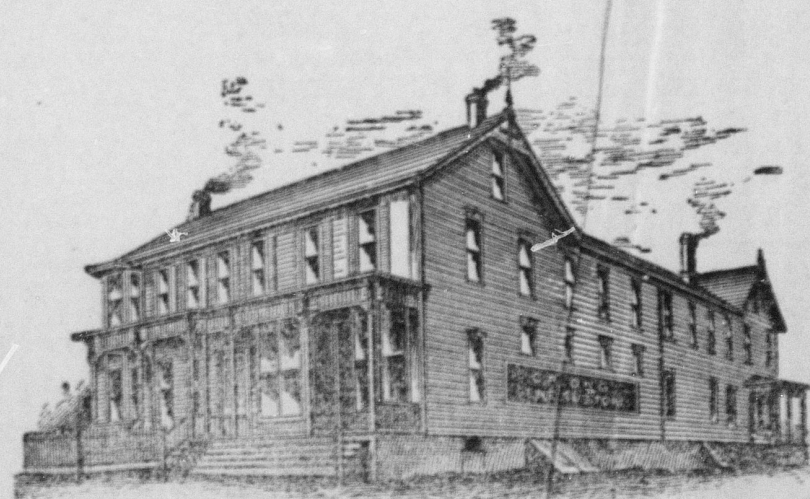
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Men's Outfitters. Bellefonte.

PENNS VALLEY BARGAIN STORE.



Mid Winter Sale.

The cold weather is here. It will continue for some time. Protection from the cold blast is the first thought when Winter strikes you. And then where it can be secured with the least possible cash outlay. You will need Heavy Underwear, Heavy Clothing, Blankets, Mittens, Gloves and anything that will turn cold. You want good goods and you want it cheap, too. We have everything you will want. We sell it at figures that our competitors dare not think of. We propose to get rid of our immense stock, and have

MARKED DOWN PRICES ON ALL GOODS!

The goods must go, and the prices we intend selling them at will make them go with a rush. Do you need anything? If you do, get in the swim. Our fine line of Dress Goods will be sold at a sacrifice. We want you to have the benefit, what we want is the room, and will have it regardless of cost. Come while they last.

C. P. LONG,

Spring Mills. State College.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Coming and Going.—Visitors in and out of town.

—Farmer Luth Kline, from south of Linden Hall, gave us a call.

—Miss Ada Goodhart, of Centre Hill, spent several days with friends in town.

—Mrs. Flora Bairfoot is spending a few weeks with friends in Philadelphia.

—Miss Roxanna Brislin, student at Wilson College is home for her vacation.

—James Smith, of Williamsport, spent Christmas with his parents at this place.

—Mrs. C. B. Boob and daughter Grace spent several days last week at Millheim.

—Mr. James B. Spangler, of Tusseyville, was a pleasant caller at this office last week.

—Mr. W. W. Rishell, of the Kline House, Lewistown, was a visitor in town last week.

—Frank Ross left Tuesday morning for Ada, Ohio, where he will enter a business college.

—Miss Kate Foreman, of this place has been seriously ill with typhoid fever the past month.

—Misses Marion and Ella Fischer, of Shamokin, spent a week with their friends at this place.

—Mr. and Mrs. Homer Barr, of Boalsburg, are visiting Mrs. Barr's sister, Mrs. Jerry Miller.

—Mrs. Kate Carson departed last week for Warren, Ohio, to spend two weeks visiting friends.

—Miss Annie Dinges, of Williamsport, is spending several days with her mother at this place.

—Dr. G. W. Hosterman and family spent several days last week with relatives at Wolf's Store.

—Miss Grace Jordan, of Aaronsburg visited among her friends and relatives a few days last week.

—John L. Runkle, of Tusseyville, one of the REPORTER's old patrons, gave us a call a few days ago.

—Mrs. A. J. Reesman left Saturday for Montandon on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Vance McCormick.

Mr. E. M. Duck who is a student at Gettysburg is spending his vacation with his parents near Spring Mills.

—Mr. Albert Barr, student at Princeton College was the guest of Mrs. J. C. Boal's family this week.

—Rev. Davis returned to his home in Allegheny this week after spending a week with friends in Centre Hall.

—James Hosterman, who is attending Dental College at Allegheny, is visiting his parents at Centre Hill.

—Prof. Calvin Neff and wife, of Millburg, spent two weeks with friends at this place and Spring Mills.

—Prof. Bitner of Millersville State Normal spent several days last week at the home of his father-in-law, Mr. J. D. Murray.

—Capt. George M. Boal left last week for Cooperstown, Venango county, on a visit to his sister, Mrs. Martha Orlady.

—Miss Anna Bartholomew, who has just finished her first term at the Millersville State Normal school, is home with her friends.

—Were pleased to have a call from that ever pleasant and much esteemed farmer, Jacob Shearer, who put his label among the happy '96ers.

—Harvey Van Pelt, who is preparing for Cornell College at the Ithaca High School, New York, returned home for his vacation.

—Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Royer returned home last Monday after spending a happy honeymoon of two weeks in the southern part of the state.

—Mrs. Frank Bradford and Miss Jennie Odenkirk are spending the Christmas holidays with friends in Williamsport and Scranton.

—John Keller, Sumner Hosterman and John Meyer students at Franklin and Marshall College are home spending their vacation.

—Mrs. Wm. Sholl, of this place is visiting at her sons, John O. Sholl, in Altoona, to spend a week, accompanied by her niece, Miss Weaver, and are having a pleasant time.

—Bliss Meyer, a son of J. H. Meyer who, with his family, left this place for Caroline county, Va., has returned on a visit to friends here and in Harris township, and tells us they are pleased with their Virginia home.

—Our honest and esteemed farmer friend, Henry Stoner, from across the valley, gave us a pleasant call, and took the high degree of '97 on his label; handsome is who handsome does. He reports the general health good in his section.

—Henry Rossman, one of Tusseyville's best-awake citizens, gave our sanctum a call and, like a good fellow, put his label in the roll of honor as a '96er; previous to the rains he reports many were suffering for want of water in that section.

—Miss Flora Duck, of Spring Mills who had been visiting her brother and sister in Williamsport, returned home last Saturday; her sister, Miss Blanche is one of Williamsport's able stenographers and her brother Magnus a mechanic.

—Rev. Fischer, of Shamokin, was here Tuesday and Wednesday, attending to matrimonial affairs, and paid his respects to the REPORTER after tying a knot.

—Sam'l Wagner, of Tusseyville, came into our sanctum on two crutches, last week, still unable to use his one leg owing to the breaking of the knee cap, last summer. He has hopes of the knee getting all right again, and was able to bring the wherewithal to put his label forward.

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses have been granted the past week:

Clarence H. Fletcher and Lydia J. Holter, of Howard.

Wm. A. Lytle and Mary C. Stamm, of Benner township.

Howard A. McClintic, of Bellefonte, and Mattie Fulton, of Spring township.

Joseph Rennick and Carrie L. Mingle, of Phillipsburg.

Theodore Severn Segerpalm and Annie Carolina Tingquist, of Gorton Heights.

Enes McAllister, of Wilkesbarre, and Emma Weomer, of Boalsburg.

Wm. K. Haines of Aaronsburg, and Ella C. Zeigler, of Wolf's Store.

Geo. W. Letterman and Miss Mertie Rager, of Milesburg.

Frank Fry of Boalsburg, and Maggie Clark, of Marlon township.

Wm. A. Tice of Howard, and Jennie Frisk of Pennfield Clearfield county.

Arthur Johnsonbaugh of Huston township, and Alice Ardery, of Worth township.

W. S. Meese and Lizzie C. Corl of State College.

Albert M. Womelsdorf, of Logan Mills, Clinton county, and Lizzie C. Fram, of Marion township.

John M. Homan, of Pine Grove Mills, and Susie Foreman, of Centre Hall.

J. E. Ward, of Pennsylvania Furnace, and Ella Harpster, of Gatesburg.

G. T. Sune, of Union township, and Jane Biddle, of Huston township.

C. Ellis and Shuriga Rylett, of Phillipsburg.

O. C. Homan, of Penn Cave, and Ida M. Breon, of Spring Mills.

THE WEATHER.

Temperature and Rain and Snow Fall. Registered at the Reporter office for 2 week ending Thursday Jan. 2, 8 a. m.

Temperature.	Maximum.	Minimum.
Dec. 19	54	29
" 20	55	48
" 21	51	34
" 22	50	34
" 23	58	34
" 24	49	45
" 25	49	40
" 26	50	48
" 27	41	25
" 28	40	23
" 29	43	21
" 30	27	18

1.45 inch rain Saturday 21, from afternoon to 9 p. m.

Night of 23, .04 rain.

Thursday night, 23, one inch snow, 4th for this season.

Night of 27, from 4 to 11 p. m., .98 inches rain.

On 30, 1 inch rain, and 1 in. snow, with heavy storm at night, continuing all next day.

Note.—An inch of rain falling upon an area of one square mile is equivalent to nearly 17,500,000 gallons, weighing 145,250,000 pounds, or 64,844 tons.

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House and Lot Sold.

Sheriff Condo gave the REPORTER office a call on New Year's day, and we learned from him that he sold his house and lot, at Spring Mills on the hill, to W. J. Finkle, of Farmers Mills.

Clothing at Sheriff Sale Prices.

Don't miss the bargains in ready made clothing, at the Philadelphia Branch, on account of sheriff sale, a full line for men and boys, will be sold at once at great sacrifice.

New Year Parade.

New Year would have passed off very quietly in the town had not a squad of fantasies on horse and afoot, from some part of the country paraded the streets in the afternoon, and raised considerable excitement among the people.

Deaths in Gregg Township.

The wife of Manno Genzel, of Gregg twp., died a few days ago, aged about 30 years.

Ellen a daughter of Howard Smith, of Farmers' Mills, died a few days ago aged about 16 years.

Sheriff Sale of Clothing.

A full line of all kinds of ready-made clothing, for men and boys, must be sold at once, on account of sheriff's sale, at the Philadelphia Branch, Bellefonte. Hurry up, if you want a bargain.

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Scribner's for Christmas

Frank R. Stockton has a Christmas love story, which bears a characteristic title,—"The Staying Power of Sir Rohan." Its illustrations are quaint and exactly suitable.

A thrilling detective story by C. E. Caryl, entitled, "The River Syndicate," perhaps equalling Sherlock Holmes' best work illustrated.

Joel Chandler Harris' characteristic tale of a faithful slave—"The Colonel's Nigger-Dog."

Other Christmas stories are "A White Blot," by Henry Van Dyke, a poetic and imaginative tale of a picture (illustrated); "Korolen of Landers," by A. S. Pier (illustrated); and "Hoppers Old Man," by R. C. V. Meyers.

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By J. M. Barrie.

Those who have read (and who has not?) "The Little Minister" and "A Window in Thrums" can anticipate what Mr. Barrie's "Sentimental Tommy" will be.

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REGISTERED NOTICE.

The following accounts have been examined and passed as correct in the Register's Office for the inspection of heirs and legatees, creditors and all others in anywise interested, and will be presented to the Orphans' Court of Centre county for confirmation on Wednesday the 29th day of January, 1896.

1. The second partial account of M. D. Rockey and John Yearick, executors of the estate of Adam Sheffer, late of Mies twp., dec'd.

2. The sixth partial account of George Bower and Samuel Everette, executors of the estate of Jacob Everett, late of Penn twp., dec'd.

3. The account of James Harris, Administrator of the estate of Samuel Foster, late of Bellefonte borough, deceased.

4. The first and last account of Angeline McBride, Guardian of the estate of McBride (now dead).

5. The first and last account of Calvin Rishel, Administrator of the estate of Michael Kistler, late of Gregg twp., dec'd.

6. The first and last account of Catharine Shaffer and Mary J. Ehrhard, Administratrices of the estate of Catharine Shaffer, late of Mary Morgan, late of Bellefonte borough, deceased, as filed by Mrs. Catharine Shaffer.

7. The account of Wm. H. Bressler, Administrator of the estate of Rebecca Bressler, late of Harris twp., dec'd.

8. The first and last account of S. H. Bennison, Guardian of the estate of Nellie Johnson, minor child of Nancy Johnson, late of Marion township, deceased.

9. First and last account of Henry Brown, Administrator of the estate of Solomon Pook, his Administrator.

10. The account of Mary J. Odenkirk and W. A. Kerr, Executors of the estate of John H. Odenkirk, late of Potter twp., dec'd.

11. First and last account of Maria S. Packard, executor of the estate of N. F. Packard, late of Cuthbert twp., dec'd.

12. First and last account of Jacob Smith, Administrator of the estate of Jacob Mies, late of Potter twp., dec'd.

13. The first and last account of James Harris, Administrator of the estate of Jacob McBride, late of Bellefonte borough, dec'd.

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FRED KURTZ, President.

D. F. LUSE, Secretary.

CAUTION.—HAVING PURCHASED AT public sale the following personal property now in the possession of Philip Auman: 4 horses, 1 heifer, 1 sow, 5 hogs, 2 chickens, all farm implements, 1 spring wagon, 2 horse wagon, 4 horse wagon, sled, rakes, forks, chains, and all personal property of P. A. Auman, and all live stock that may be placed in his care hereafter, all persons are hereby cautioned not to meddle with the same in any manner.

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Time Table, in effect May 19, 1896.

TRAINS LEAVE MONTANDON, EASTWARD.

Train	Time	Stations
14	9:15 a. m.	Train 14. (Daily except Sunday) For Sunbury, Wilkesbarre, Hazleton, Pottsville, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia at 3:20 p. m., New York, 5:55 p. m., Baltimore, 8:10 p. m., Washington, 4:30 p. m., connecting at Philadelphia for all sea-shore points. Through passenger coaches to Philadelphia and Baltimore. Parlor cars to Philadelphia.
8	1:50 p. m.	Train 8. (Daily except Sunday.) For Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia at 6:25 p. m., New York, 9:25 p. m., Baltimore, 6:15 p. m., Washington at 7:30 p. m. Parlor car through to Philadelphia, and passenger coaches to Philadelphia and Baltimore.
12	5:04 p. m.	Train 12. (Daily except Sunday.) For Wilkesbarre, Hazleton, Pottsville, Harrisburg and intermediate points, arriving at Philadelphia at 11:15 p. m., New York 3:55 a. m., Baltimore 10:40 p. m. Passenger coaches to Wilkesbarre and Philadelphia.
6	7:58 p. m.	Train 6. (Daily.) For Sunbury, Harrisburg and all intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia at 4:30 a. m., New York, 7:25 a. m., Baltimore, 6:20 a. m., Washington, 7:40 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars to Philadelphia and Baltimore. Passenger coaches to Philadelphia and Baltimore.
4	1:29 a. m.	Train 4. (Daily.) For Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia at 6:52 a. m., New York, 9:52 a. m., Baltimore, 5:10 a. m., Washington, 7:40 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars to Philadelphia and Baltimore. Passenger coaches to Philadelphia and Baltimore.
3	5:37 a. m.	Train 3. (Daily.) For Erie and Canandaigua and intermediate stations, Rochester, Buffalo, Erie, Elmira and Niagara Falls, with through Pullman cars to Erie and Elmira, and passenger coaches to Erie and Rochester.
15	10:17 a. m.	Train 15. (Daily.) For Lock Haven and intermediate stations.

THROUGH TRAINS FOR MONTANDON FROM EAST AND SOUTH.

Train	Time	Stations
11	4:50 a. m.	Train 11. (Daily except Sunday.) For Harrisburg, 8:15 a. m., Wilkesbarre, 7:25 a. m., Daily except Sunday, arriving at Montandon 10:17 a. m. Train 11 leaves Philadelphia 8:50 a. m., Washington 7:50 a. m., Baltimore 8:55 a. m., Wilkesbarre 10:15 a. m. (Daily except Sunday) arriving at Montandon 1:55 p. m. with Parlor car and passenger coaches from Philadelphia and Baltimore.
9	11:20 p. m.	Train 9. (Daily.) For Harrisburg, 12:25 p. m., Washington at 10:30 p. m., Baltimore at 11:40 p. m., Wilkesbarre, 3:17 p. m., arriving at Montandon at 5:50 p. m. week days, with through passenger coaches from Pa. and Baltimore.
7	11:50 p. m.	Train 7. (Daily except Sunday.) For Harrisburg, 12:25 p. m., Washington at 10:30 p. m., Baltimore at 11:40 p. m., Wilkesbarre, 3:17 p. m., arriving at Montandon at 5:50 p. m. week days, with through passenger coaches from Philadelphia and Baltimore.

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Westward.	Eastward.
PM 3:45 A.M.	STATIONS. AM 7:15 PM
1:55	5:40 Montandon
2:08	6:15 Lewisburg
2:17	6:25 Biehl
2:22	6:28 Vicksburg
2:27	6:37 Millburg
2:33	6:50 Millmont
2:51	6:58 Glen Iron
2:59	7:27 Paddy Mountain
3:30	7:38 Coburn
3:37	7:47 Zertzy
3:47	7:58 Harrisburg
3:53	8:02 Penn Cave
4:01	8:09 Centre Hall
4:07	8:16 Gregg
4:13	8:23 Linden Hall
4:18	8:28 Oak Hall
4:23	8:32 Lemont
4:27	8:37 Dale Summit
4:37	8:47 Pleasant Gap
4:49	8:50 Aaronsburg
4:55	8:55 Bellefonte

Additional trains leave Lewisburg for Montandon at 5:20 a. m., 10:00 a. m., 1:15, 5:45 and 7:40 p. m., returning leave Montandon for Lewisburg at 9:20 a. m., 10:10 a. m., 5:07 p. m. and 8:00 p. m. On Sundays trains leave Montandon 10:15 a. m. and 8:00 p. m., returning leave Lewisburg 10:25 a. m. and 5:05 p. m.

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THE NEWS.

There was a collision on the Burlington Road at Seward, Neb., which resulted in the death of P. A. Geisler and J. B. Jeffries, two firemen. Porter Bros. & Co., the largest dealers in dried fruits on the Pacific coast, and doing business in San Francisco, announce that they are unable to meet their payments, and have asked their creditors for further time. A handsome bronze tablet was placed on the house in which Joseph Jefferson was born. The Hungarian and negro employees in Dunbar had pitched battle, in which one Hun was fatally wounded and eight others seriously hurt. A frightful explosion of powder occurred at Milwaukee, Pa. Andrew Lawrence, Bart Tarmey and William Girard were instantly killed. The Peters Rubber and Supply Company, of St. Louis, has assigned for the benefit of creditors. The liabilities are said to be \$50,000, and the assets about \$47,000 worth of stock on hand and \$10,000 worth of outstanding accounts. The schooner Edna M. Champion, which sailed from Philadelphia for Port Tampa, Florida, October 12, has been given up for lost, with all of her crew. A train on the Southern Railroad struck a wagon near Richmond, Va., containing three men, one of whom was killed and the other two injured. The body of Harry Hayward, who was executed at Minneapolis for the murder of Catherine Ging, was cremated at Chicago.

Captain Robley D. Evans, who was ill with inflammatory rheumatism for some week, has sufficiently recovered to take command of the battleship Indiana. Many more railroad cars and locomotives were built this year than last. The railroad extension for the year, however, was three hundred miles less than in 1894, which was 1,700 miles. William Bartow, a white man, twenty-two years old, was arrested at Chattanooga, charged with outraging Mary Purdy, aged six years, the child's recovery being doubtful. The child's mother was also arrested, charged with being accessory to the horrible crime. Three masked robbers held up Richard Clarke, a Pacific Jockey Club official in a San Francisco car, and robbed him of \$3,000. The steamship Strathnevis, which was given up for lost, arrived at Port Townsend in tow of the steamer Mineola. Joseph Cook, the celebrated divine and lecturer, has arrived from China, broken in health, and almost an invalid. John H. Husted, a well-known mining man, said to be worth \$500,000, committed suicide at his home in Denver, Col., by shooting himself in the head. The suicide is supposed to have been occasioned by despondency, due to ill-health. In a pistol duel between Robert Carey and Albert Adkins, jealous lovers, in Wayne county, W. Va., the former was fatally wounded. At Volcano, W. Va., Jacob Farnsworth, who was impersonating Santa Claus at a Christmas entertainment in a church, was fatally burned, and his brother and a number of others badly injured. Berinda Lynn, aged eleven years, was suffocated in a fire which nearly destroyed her parent's home, in Scranton, Pa., and her father is under arrest on suspicion of having set fire to the house.

S. McDowell nearly killed his mother in Loganport because she would not give him five dollars. Congressman George D. McKelvey, of Nebraska, announced his candidacy for governor. A number of street railways in Pittsburgh effected a combination. Three persons were probably fatally injured in an accident in Chicago caused by the motorman losing control of his car. Lieutenant Niblack, in charge of the naval militia division of the Navy Department, has called attention of the authorities urgently to the serious inconvenience and confusion that is apt to arise in case our military and naval forces are called into joint action, as they must be in a defensive war, growing out of the lack of uniformity in small arms and signal codes. The Dunn brothers, four in number, were blown up by the explosion of a can of gunpowder while riding in a wagon in pursuit of the Dalton gang in Oklahoma Territory. Five laborers were injured, one fatally, at the Malleable Iron Works in Dayton, O. The men were at work on a track between buildings, and a car loaded with pig iron was pushed toward them, crushing them against the walls until stopped by an application of the brakes.

Mrs. Sarah Swarbig fell downstairs and was instantly killed at her home in Philadelphia. The brick stable attached to the country residence of John Lowler Welsh, president of the Union Traction Company, Philadelphia, was burned to the ground, and the authorities believe that the fire was the result of the bitter feeling against the traction president. Huldy Butler shot and fatally wounded Edward Huxley, who tried to force his way into the house to see Butler's daughter, at Brazil, Ind. Forty-nine Jersey cows affected with tuberculosis were killed on the stock farm of Alvin Devereux, near Deposit, N. Y. John H. Balsebaugh and his wife, of Swatara, Pa., were found dead in their bedchamber, suffocated by coal gas. The Venezuelan scare has had an injurious effect on the tobacco trade of Henderson, Ky. The Russell brothers, two lads of Smithfield, Mo., saved two families which had been imperilled by the flood.

VIRGINIA GETS THE WORK.

The Battle-Ships Will Be Built at Newport News.

Secretary Herbert has practically concluded to award the contract for the construction of battle-ships Nos. 5 and 6 to the Newport News Dry Dock and Shipbuilding Company of Virginia, and their bid of \$2,250,000 for each ship. It was found that upon a careful inspection of the law authorizing the construction of the ships that the department could not go behind the face of the bids, so it was not possible to allow the other bidders to scale down their bids to meet the low bid of the Newport News Company save with their consent.

While it was the intention of the Congress to have one of the ships built on the Pacific coast if the terms were reasonable, in order to carry out this intent Secretary Herbert would be obliged to declare that the difference between the Newport News bid of \$2,250,000 for one ship and the Union Iron Works of San Francisco bid of \$2,740,000 for one ship was only a reasonable difference, which he could scarcely do in the face of the decision made by his predecessor, Secretary Tracy, that this difference should not in any case exceed three per cent.

REVENUE BILL.

The Measure Passed the House by a vote of 205 to 81.

BRISK PARTISAN DEBATE.

The House Will Further Aid the President by Passing a Low-Rate Bond Bill.

The Revenue bill was passed by the House, according to the programme, the vote standing 205 in the affirmative to 81 in the negative. With the exception of four Populists the affirmative vote was made up entirely of Republicans.

The Populists voting with the Republicans were Howard of Alabama, Newlands of Nevada, Shuford and Skinner of North Carolina. The negative vote was entirely Democratic.

The bill was reported by Chairman Dingley immediately after the reading of the journal, and this was followed by the report of the Committee on Rules on the resolution providing for limitation of debate and fixing 5 o'clock as the hour for taking a vote on the bill without intervening motions.

There was a brisk partisan debate on the report of the Committee on Rules, the Democrats pointing out that its effect and purpose was to preclude their side from offering amendments and Republicans from voting for them. The was considerable badinage touching the practice of both parties in former Congresses in crowding through legislation under the spur of the Committee on Rules, neither party gaining advantage from the wrangle.

In the case of the pending bill the Republicans justified their procedure by the fact, that the country was confronted by a great necessity which had been pointed out by the President in a special message, in which Congress was requested to forgo the usual holiday recess that this urgent necessity might be given speedy consideration. The resolution was adopted by ayes 213, nays 89, four Republicans voting with the Democrats against it.

The Revenue bill was thereupon immediately called up and the debate opened by Chairman Dingley, who explained its purpose, the necessity that made its passage imperative and the probable amount of additional revenue it would bring to the Treasury.

The Democrats contended that the existing law would produce sufficient revenue to meet current expenditures and pointed to the declarations of the President's message and the report of the Secretary of the Treasury in support of their contention. What was most needed was remedial financial legislation, and the Republicans had responded to the appeal of the Executive by a bill to impose additional taxes on the people.

The Republicans met these declarations by pointing to the fact that for the past two years or more the revenues had been insufficient to meet current expenses, forcing the Government to borrow \$102,000,000 by the issue of interest-bearing bonds to protect the public credit and maintain the solvency of the Treasury.

At 5 o'clock the roll was called on the passage of the bill, with the result already announced. It was sent to the Senate and referred by that body to the Committee on Finance.

ABOUT NOTED PEOPLE.

Dean Farrar, of Canterbury, thinks it "perfectly erroneous to talk of the failure of missions, when they started with 120 despised Galileans, and when now there are 120,000,000 Protestants and they have in their power almost all the resources of the world."

The Marquis de Bonnevill was married to the daughter of the Marquis de Haussenville in Paris in January. The Bonnevills are allied with the Bonbons through the house of Albert, the ancient royal family of Navarre, and the Haussenvilles are connected with the Broglis, the Segurs and many other aristocratic families of the Faubourg St. Germaine.

W. L. Brown, a Chicago shipbuilder declares that in case of war with England the United States could build thirty fully-equipped war ships for lake service inside of ten months. In an emergency armored vessels could be put together in ninety days. "On the other hand," he added, "Canada could do practically nothing in the way of armored vessels and would be obliged to get along with makeshifts."

Ex-Congressman Bland's views on the financial troubles are as follows: "My remedy for existing financial troubles would be the free coinage of silver as well as gold, and the redemption of all Government obligations in either gold or silver coin, whichever at the time was the most advantageous or convenient for the Treasury. I would not increase taxation. Better issue Treasury notes on warrants and coin free silver. This policy is good for peace or war."

Henry W. Denison, originally of Lancaster (N. H.), has received from the Meado of Japan the decoration of the First Class Order of the Mirror and a handsome sum of money for his services in the making of a treaty between that country and China, and also for distinguished services during the war. Mr. Denison went to Japan in 1869 as an attaché of the American Legation when Hon. John A. Bingham was appointed Minister. Later he accepted a position from the Japanese Government as legal adviser of the foreign office, which position he now holds at a salary of \$10,000.

FORTY LIVES IN PERIL.

A Hotel Destroyed Through a Guests Recklessness.

By going to bed with a lighted cigar, a guest set fire to Twomey's Hotel, a brick structure on the outskirts of Schenectady, N. Y., and forty boarders narrowly escaped with their lives and saved nothing. James Foster was seriously burned. The hotel was destroyed. The loss is \$50,000; insurance, \$10,000.

FIFTY-FOURTH CONGRESS.

HOUSE.

SIXTEENTH DAY.—A resolution was offered in the House for the appointment of clerks for the three elections committees, and also authorizing the chairman to decide upon the committees to which the election cases should go. This met with a protest from Mr. Crisp and it was decided that the Speaker should refer the cases under the rule. Mr. Dingley, chairman of the ways and means committee, stated that his committee was at work on a bill in response to the President's last message for action which will relieve the treasury situation, and that the committee would report the bill by Thursday.

SEVENTEENTH DAY.—The only business transacted in the House was the distribution of the President's message among the several committees having jurisdiction of the various parts thereof, and the passage of the bill making Palm Beach, Fla., a port of entry. Speaker Reed had read a communication from the Chamber of Representatives of Brazil felicitating the House of Representatives of the United States on the President's strong position on the Monroe doctrine. The communication was applauded.

EIGHTEENTH DAY.—The House responded to the request of the President by passing a tariff bill, the operation of which is limited to two and a half years, and which is designed to raise \$40,000,000 for the relief of the Treasury. The vote was on party lines, with two exceptions. The special order under which the bill was brought to vote, after three and a half hours of debate, was ironclad in its character and compelled the members to adopt or reject it without opportunity of offering amendments.

NINETEENTH DAY.—The House entered upon the consideration of the bond bill, which aroused the united opposition of the Democrats and Populists, the gold Democrats being arrayed against it because they claimed it did not give the Secretary authority to issue gold bonds with which he desired to replenish the reserve, and the silver Democrats on the ground of their general opposition to bond issues. In the Republican ranks, also, there developed much lively opposition to the bill as originally drawn.

SENATE.

SIXTEENTH DAY.—The United States Senate was not in session today.

SEVENTEENTH DAY.—The Senate passed Mr. Hill's bill repealing the prohibitive disabilities imposed at the close of the war upon ex-Confederates, preventing their enlistment in the army and navy. Messrs. Chandler, Hawley and Platt, on the Republican side, and Hill and Voorhees, on the Democratic side, championed the repeal. Mr. Allen offered a resolution, which was deferred, urging a Latin-American union, in which all the Republics of the Western Hemisphere would make common cause against European encroachments.

EIGHTEENTH DAY.—The United States Senate was not in session today.

NINETEENTH DAY.—The Senate was convened by a spirited and somewhat personal debate in which Mr. Hill, of New York, and Mr. Teller, of Colorado, were the principal figures. The New York Senator predicted consideration of the bond question by offering a resolution directing that future bond issues to renew the gold reserve should have a provision that they would be payable in gold or silver at the option of the holder.

DISASTERS AND CASUALTIES.

Three boys were drowned at Morris, Illinois, by the breaking of ice on which they were skating.

John A. Slattery, a well-known lawyer of Cincinnati, fell down an elevator shaft in that city and was killed.

A train on the Metropolitan "L," in Chicago, fell into the street at the southern terminus of the road. The motorman, conductor and one passenger were seriously injured.

By the premature explosion of a blast in the drainage canal, one mile from Lockport, Illinois, three men were killed and seven injured. Of the latter several are not expected to recover.

Five workmen employed at the Dayton (Ohio) Malleable Iron Co.'s works were terribly injured by being caught between a building and a freight car—the track being so close to the building that the men had no escape.

Four persons were drowned at Lathrop Lake, near Arvada, Colorado, by the breaking of the ice on which they were skating. A 10-year-old boy fell through first, and his brother and sister and another young girl lost their lives in trying to save him.

Henry J. Newton, aged 72, was knocked down by a cable car in New York city and almost instantly killed. Mr. Newton was one of the best known Spiritists in the United States, and was the inventor of the "Spiritualists' cage" and other devices used by Spiritualist mediums.

The magazine of the Smithfield Hardware Company, near Salisbury, N. C., containing 1500 pounds of dynamite and 50 kgs of powder, blew up. Two boys, George and Ira Weaver, were hunting in the vicinity at the time. It is thought that mischievously or accidentally a bullet from one of their guns struck the magazine. George was instantly killed and Ira probably fatally wounded.

A despatch from Newfoundland, received in Halifax, says it has now been learned there are in all 22 persons on the ill-fated schooner Victoria, believed to have foundered with all on board off Cabot Island, on the Newfoundland coast. Among them were a family named Nowerorthy, husband and wife and five children. The stem of the Victoria has been picked up at Horse Island.

FIGHTING IN TURKEY.

Over 12,000 Druses Killed by the Porte's Troops.

Advices received in Constantinople from Beyrut report that a severe fight has taken place between the Turkish troops and the Druses near Sandieh. The fight took place on December 21, and according to the official report, the Druses lost 12,000 killed while only 70 Turks were killed and 50 wounded.

The representatives of the Powers entered a protest before the commission which controls the execution of the reforms, and Sir Philip Currie, the British ambassador demanded the immediate recall of the Kadî of Mouss, who is accused of inciting the Muslims to disturbances.

It is reported from Marsus that disturbances have occurred there between the Muslims and Christians. The outbreak, however, was soon quelled by the authorities. The disturbance is believed to explain the arrival of the missionaries and Christian families at Mersina on December 17.

Advices received from the Island Crete say there have been no fresh disturbances there.

Advices received in Rome from Aleppo say that the town of Zeitoun, 15 miles from Marash, which has been held by the insurgent Armenians for some time past, has been captured by the Turkish troops. It is added that the inhabitants of Zeitoun fled to the mountains.

PENNSYLVANIA ITEMS.

Epitome of News Gleaned From Various Parts of the State.

An engine on the Reading road run over and instantly killed an unknown man near Shamokin.

D. G. Bertsch, a merchant tailor in Mauch Chunk since 1853, and one of the oldest business men of the town, is dead, aged 63.

On an execution for \$700 the establishment of Rohland Bros., dealers in musical instruments and sewing machines, in Lebanon, was seized and will be sold by the Sheriff.

At a Christmas entertainment and luncheon in Sons of America Hall, under the auspices of the Washington Camp, P. O. S. of A., addresses were delivered by President Judge Allen W. Ehrgood and Howard C. Shirk.

Charged by George J. Ditzler and Harry Romig with felonious entry with intent to commit burglary and assault and battery John Jones, of Phoenixville, was sent to prison by Alderman Charles O'Booth in default of \$700 bail.

In a drunken row at 430 Freeman street, Lebanon, at an early hour in the morning Charles Krautz, a Hungarian, was shot by Joseph Sharte, a fellow countryman, in the head with a revolver. Sharte was sent to prison by Alderman David C. Smith on the charge of assault and battery with intent to kill pending the issue of Krautz's injuries.

John H. Balsebaugh and his wife who lived near Swatara, were found dead in their rooms from the effects of coal gas from a defective stovepipe. Mr. Balsebaugh was extensively engaged in farming and was a director of the Hummelstown National Bank for many years and a prominent citizen. An only son, Hiram Balsebaugh, who holds a prominent position with a life insurance company in New York.

The Lehigh Traction Company announced a reduction of fares on all of its South Side lines, making the limit five cents to the terminus. Heretofore the rate was ten cents. The new schedule goes into effect next week.

Benjamin Luff, colored, aged 26 years, was shot in the abdomen and was fatally injured. The affray occurred in the colored quarter of West Chester, and the would-be murderer escaped.

Bliss Snyder, of Lancaster, quarreled with his wife several days ago and the latter informed the neighbors that she was going to drown herself. Snyder and his friends went a good part of Christmas dragging Conestago Creek in expectation of finding the body. Later it was learned that the woman is alive and well, having gone to Landsville to accept employment at domestic service.

The sensational developments in the Erie City government had another turn. Following Mayor Scott's demand for Chief of Police White's resignation came a request for Health Officer Flint's scalp. The health officer positively refused to give up his position and demanded that if Mayor Scott knew of any good reason for his dismissal he must prefer charges against him. The Mayor withdrew his request for Flint's resignation and their letters were exchanged. Now Flint demands an apology from the Mayor.

While descending the stairway at her residence in Lebanon, Miss Catherine Seifert, an elderly maiden lady, fell with a lighted kerosene lamp in her hand. The lamp exploded and ignited her clothing, and she received injuries which resulted in her death shortly afterward in the surgical ward of the Hospital of the Good Samaritan, whither she was conveyed in an ambulance immediately after the accident. She was burned almost to a crisp, except the face and one arm. The deceased had been in feeble health for a long time, and for many years lived alone. She was a daughter of the late Philip Seifert, who was a well-known resident of North Lebanon Township, and a prominent member of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church. Two brothers survive her. Miss Seifert was aged 83 years.

While in a drunken frenzy, James A. McClelland, of 182 Robinson Street, Allegheny, stabbed his son, J. A. McClelland, Jr., a young machinist. The father cut his son in the side, the wound being four inches deep and near the heart. The father had been drinking heavily. He came home drunk and abused his wife. To save his mother the son interfered. His action led to the stabbing. Liquor is thought to have turned his brain.

VENEZUELA ASKS FOR AID.

Wants Spanish-America to Help in Case of War with England.

The authorities have called to all of the South and Central American republics asking their assistance in the case of a war with England, and proposing that their forces be combined.

A great mass-meeting of citizens was held to pledge the support of the people to the government in resisting encroachments of Great Britain. The city was profusely decorated with American and Venezuelan flags. All the church bells rang, and the clergy of the city took part in the meeting.

The commercial warfare of Venezuelan firms against English houses and English goods is in full blast, and the leaders in the movement have called upon the general public to make suggestions as to the best methods to be pursued to make the warfare successful.

CREMATED IN A HOTEL.

A Servant Cursed to Death and Several Guests Badly Hurt.

A blaze that started in Tomany's bakery, Bluefield, W. Va., cost one man his life, several others severe injuries, and a money loss of \$50,000. The flames spread to B. C. Cohen's clothing store and the Central Hotel, destroying the three structures.

The guests in the burning hotel saved their lives, but little else. Ed Stevens, a servant, was burned to death. S. L. Ritz, succeeded in rescuing a woman and three children, and then to save himself had to jump from a fourth-story window. He is fatally hurt. George W. Bliss and Misses Sallie Gonyers and Emma New, jumped from the second-story and all were seriously injured.

It is thought in London that Lord Salisbury had approved the fraternal message recently sent to this country by the Prince of Wales and the Duke of York upon the Venezuelan crisis.

CABLE SPARKS.

Marshall Begelow, of the American consular court at Constantinople, died after an illness which culminated in dropsy.

It is thought by some Americans residing in Turkey that the recent Armenian massacres were perpetrated upon orders from the Sultan.

The Prince of Naples, heir to the Italian throne, it is reported is to wed Princess Mathilde, granddaughter of Prince Regent Luitpold of Bavaria.

By the wrecking of a Japanese warship in the Pescadore Islands and the sinking of a French vessel off the coast of Algiers over a hundred lives were lost.

Zeitoun, where the Armenians revolted against Turkish rule and seized the town, has been captured. It is said the inhabitants escaped to the mountains.

There is consternation in Havana over the advance of the insurgent army, which has outflanked General Campos and is marching toward the capital of the island.

It is reported that a battle occurred on December 21st between the Turkish troops and the Druses, in which over 12,000 of the latter were killed. On the Island of Crete, also, fresh disturbances have occurred.

A general reception was held by Minister Baker at the United States Legation at Managua, Nicaragua Christmas day. It was well attended, among those present being President Zelaya and the Nicaraguan cabinet.

An appeal has been issued by thirteen British authors and writers addressed to their American brethren asking them to use their influence in behalf of peace between the two great English speaking nations.

Advices from Cayenne report the daily arrival there of fugitives from the disputed territory lying between French Guiana and the Brazilian frontier. Cebal and his forces have occupied the territory in dispute and have seized the town of Caracene and are committing outrages daily upon foreign miners.

General Campos has held a conference in Havana with the leading military and naval commanders and elite dignitaries concerning the situation on the island. Unusual preparations are being made for the defense of the city, and all men able to bear arms have been called upon for service. Owing to a break in the line of communication there is but meagre news from the front.

CALF A TOWN WIPED OUT.

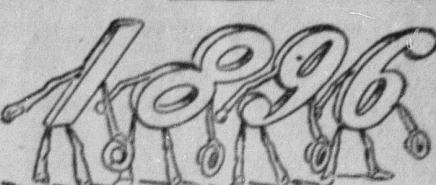
Pineckard, Ala., Lost Heavily on Incendiary Blazes.

Half of Pineckard, a little town in Southeast Alabama, was destroyed by fire. The Post Office, Hubert's Hotel, Porter's Hotel, Murphy's and Davies' drug store, Harrison A. Sosa's general store, T. A. Mills' military store and other smaller establishments were burned. There is little insurance. The fire is believed to have been incendiary, as the buckets had been stolen from the public wells and no water could be had to fight the flames.

MARKETS.

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High Grade Extra.....	3 50
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	65
CORN—No. 2 White.....	31 1/2
Oats—Southern & Penn.....	22
RYE—No. 2.....	46
HAY—Choice Timothy.....	15 50
Good to Prime.....	14 50
STRAW—Rye in car lots.....	10 00
Wheat Blocks.....	6 00
Oat Blocks.....	7 00
CANNED GOODS.	
TOMATOES—Std. No. 2, \$	65
No. 2.....	50
PEAS—Std. No. 2.....	95
Second.....	85
CORN—Dry Pack.....	60
Molasses.....	50
HIDES.	
CITY STEERS.....	7 1/2
City Cows.....	6
Southern No. 2.....	7 1/2
POTATOES AND VEGETABLES.	
POTATOES—Burbank.....	30
ONIONS.....	30
PROVISIONS.	
HOGS PRODUCTS—sh. \$	8
Clear rib sides.....	6
HAMS.....	10 1/2
Mess Pork, per bar.....	10 50
LARD—Crude.....	5
Best refined.....	7 1/2
BUTTER.	
BUTTER—Fine Cream.....	27
Under Fine.....	24
Creamery Rolls.....	22
CHEESE.	
CHEESE—N. Y. Fancy.....	11 1/2
N. Y. Flats.....	11
Skim Cheese.....	6
EGGS.	
EGGS—State.....	23
North Carolina.....	16
LIVE POULTRY.	
CHICKENS—Hens.....	7
Turkeys, per lb.....	9
Ducks, per lb.....	8
TOBACCO.	
TOBACCO—M. J. Inferior.....	1 50
Sound common.....	3 00
Middling.....	6 00
Fancy.....	10 00
LIVE STOCK.	
BEEF—Best Doovers.....	2 75
SHEEP.....	1 50
Hogs.....	4 00
FURS AND SKINS.	
MUSKRAT.....	10
Raccoon.....	40
Red Fox.....	1 00
Skunk Black.....	80
Opossum.....	22
Mink.....	80
Other.....	6 00
NEW YORK.	
FLOUR—Southern.....	3 10
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	69 1/2
RYE—Western.....	48
CORN—No. 3.....	34 1/2
OATS—No. 2.....	22 1/2
BUTTER—State.....	15
EGGS—State.....	24
CHEESE—Penna. R.....	7 1/2
PHILADELPHIA.	
FLOUR—Southern.....	3 20
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	67
CORN—No. 3.....	33
OATS—No. 2.....	23
BUTTER—State.....	27
EGGS—Penna. R.....	23

THE NEW YEAR BOWS ITSELF IN.



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HIS DIVINITY.

I felt within the cushioned pew,
But must confess my thoughts pursue
A rather worldly course, in lieu
Of penitential fire.
Yet none within the edifice
In worshiping are less remiss—
My thoughts are tinged with heavenly
bliss.
For Nellie's in the choir.

A witching figure, straight and trim,
She stands and carols forth the hymn,
She blushes 'neath her broad hat brim,
To see how I admire.
I watch her lovely, pulsing throat,
Her dimples and her curls I note—
Celestial music seems to float,
For Nellie's in the choir.

In through the chancel window slips
A ray sunbeam, and it slips
The sweetness of her laughing lips,
And never seems to tire,
And while the pastor does expound
And lull to slumber sound,
'Tis love that makes my world go round,
For Nellie's in the choir.
—Detroit Free Press.

THE ART OF ACTING.

"Hullo, Monty! Alone in your glory,
eh?" exclaimed Frank Kortright, as he
stroled into the Betterton club at
about 6:30 one afternoon. "Where is
everybody?"

"I can't tell you," replied Monty.
"They weren't in the city, that's all I
know. The house was half empty, and
the mining market as flat as dishwater.
I don't believe I've made a penny this
month."

"I never knew London so empty. Not
half a dozen theaters open; which is
rough on the dramatic critic, who has
to write about the drama or starve.
Charles, give me some connoisseur
and some grilled salmon, and—Will these
lamb cutlets take long? Very well,
then; I'll have some cutlets and an
imperial pint of 114, as quickly as you
can, please."

"Going anywhere?" asked Monty.
"Yes; to a theater you probably never
heard of—the Elephant and Castle, in
the New Kent road. By the way, would
you care to come, too—I have two
stalls?" Inquired the critic. "It might
amuse you, if you've never been to that
sort of a theater before. They're playing
an old-fashioned melodrama called
'Madrina, the Marionette-Maker's
Daughter,' in five acts and twelve
tableaux."

"Does it matter about my not being
dressed?"

"Dear, no. Nobody dresses there. I'm
only dressed because I'm going there
officially."

"Then I shall be delighted. Charles,
is my coffee ready?"

In half an hour's time Monty Bra-
ham and Frank Kortright were in a
hansom on the way to the New Kent
road.

"It's the devil of a way," remarked
Monty after a time.

"If you really want to see fine act-
ing," said Frank, "you'll have to travel
a good deal further than the New Kent
road. I shall never forget the impres-
sion that a certain company made up-
on me—never. It was at the Poushkin
theater, at Krasnoyarsk. The most
marvelous acting you ever saw. Talk
about Irving, Salvini or Barnum."

"What, the South African chap?"

"No, no; I'm speaking of the German
tragedian. Why, their man Ostolopoff
could wipe the stage with any of our
men. And that sweet woman, Archangel-
ski, as beautiful as Julia Neilson, as crac-
ful as Ellen Terry, with all the origi-
nality and repose of La Duse, combined
with the force of Sarah Bernhardt.
Barly 19 years of age—I knew her per-
sonally—most interesting girl. The
low comedian, too; Little Piki! So full
of humor and resource. Never at a
loss—a mixture of Arthur Roberts and
Noblet. He was a very distinguished
politician at one time at St. Petersburg
—in the Russian ministry, in fact; but
he took to conspiring and they packed
him off to Siberia. I met him in pri-
vate. Half his head was shaved, he
twice tried to escape." And so on.

And by the time Frank Kortright had
finished his description of this ideal
company of comedians he and his
friend had reached the Elephant and
Castle. They were only about half an
hour late. Madrina, the marionette-
maker's daughter, was in bridal attire,
about to be married to Hans, her father's
young foreman. But the villain had
entered, accompanied by a very
shabby attorney, and had informed the
assembled peasantry that her father
had just been foully murdered. And
on this assurance the police were
reluctantly compelled to arrest the bride-
groom-elect on the capital charge, as,
although he had not been near the
house of the deceased, the knife which
did the deed had been found in Hans'
room. An old half-witted villager called
Beppo was exercising confidence in
Hans and grave doubts of the villain's
bonafides, which evoked loud applause
from the audience. And if anyone
should ask why this was going on, the
answer is, because it was a melodrama.

"Who's the chap playing Beppo?"

asked Braham, presently.
"That? Oh, that's poor old Fitz-Gib-
bon—Arthur Fitz-Gibbon—one of the
real old school. He used to be on the
western circuit, as they call it. He's
played all the round of legitimate parts
—Hamlet, Othello, Claud, Belphegor—
everything, in fact. Isn't it almost in-
credible to think that our fathers and
grandfathers actually admired that
style of acting? Listen to his ranting
and declaiming," said Frank.

"You can hear every word he says,
though, can't you?" suggested his mat-
ter-of-fact friend.

"Hear it? Yes, I dare say! In the
next street, I expect! But that's not
the way people talk in every-day life,
surely. And his gestures! Why, in
goodness, name, is he throwing his
hands above his head?"

"I suppose it is because he is appeal-
ing to heaven," said Monty.

"Yes, but surely you can appeal to
heaven without that! If only actors
understood the value of repose—of
repression!" sighed the critic, making a
black mark on his program against
poor Fitz-Gibbon.

"Now, what does an old chap like
that get paid?" asked Monty, presently.
"Fitz-Gibbon? Oh, I don't know. I
should think he'd consider himself in
a seventh heaven if anyone were to
offer him £4 a week."

"But he'd get more than that in the
west end, wouldn't he?"

"My dear Braham, we shouldn't
stand that style of acting in the west
end! We've changed all that, thank
goodness. We've exterminated the
barstomer and godfathered a new
school. And yet there are some people
who say, 'What's the good of critics?'"

"An actor who can please a west end
audience can make his £20 or £30 a
week, I suppose?"

"Oh, at least. A good deal more, if
he has a theater of his own."

"Upon my soul that sounds very
fine! I've a deuced good mind to take
a theater myself."

"My dear fellow, a first-rate idea, pro-
vided you have the fur sacre!"

What Mr. Kortright meant by this
I do not know, but that is what he
said.

About two months later London was
ringing with the triumphs of Montague
Braham, the new actor. It was impos-
sible to secure a seat at the Elite The-
ater without booking at least a month
in advance. There were no two opin-
ions about the genius of this "latest
addition to the band of manager-act-
ors," as he was called. He had come, he
had aspired, he had conquered. The
play was called "Dunstan's Decep-
tion." It was a strong, modern drama,
with a touch of the supernatural in it.
It is needless to give the plot of it, but
this is Frank Kortright's opinion of
Braham's performance, as set forth in
Monday's Ephemeris:

"A first night in the Elite.—What a
revelation!" cried a young lady who
was waiting for her carriage in the
vestibule of the Elite at 11:45 Saturday
night. And "What a revelation!" was
the exclamation from everyone's
mouth. "Who is this Mr. Braham?"
asked several. The answer is easy—
indisputable. Mr. Braham is one of the
most remarkable young actors of the
century. From the moment that Dun-
stan enters the stage as the trusted old
solicitor—soberly dressed, unobtrusive
in manner, his keen, dark eyes peering
from under the bushy, dark eyebrows,
ever on the alert, taking in everything,
the closely cropped gray whiskers and
scanty, well tended hair (a marvel of
"make-up," by the way), suggesting
nothing but commonplace respectabil-
ity—to the moment in the last act
when, trembling and white with fear,
he bursts into the cottage of the family
he has ruined and craves pardon of
Agnes, whose lover he has consigned
to a madhouse—until the climax, when
he finally expires on the hearth-rug,
himself a gibbering lunatic—the great
audience were in the hands of the
great actor as a plant root in the grasp
of a skillful angler. Mr. Braham can
sway them as he pleases. There is no
trickery here, no slavish following of
the old, no masterful striving after the
new. It is greater than art, because it
is nature; it is greater than nature, be-
cause it is art. Mr. Braham is like a
young surgeon who does not discard
the scalpel because he has mastered
electrolysis. He can hunt with the old-
fashioned leech and run the new-fangled
microbe. We know not in what phys-
iological dissecting-room Mr. Bra-
ham has acquired his knowledge of the
anatomy of human nature. But he
knows it to a vesicle. In fine, we were
all too hypnotized by the antiseptic
spray of his exuberance to be able to
analyze it precisely. We woke up from
the trance like the "little old woman
upon the king's highway," only to ex-
claim with the young lady in the vesti-
bule, "What a revelation!"

From that day forward everything
went well with Monty. His look-
ing-glass was crowded with cards of in-
vitation from all the highest in the land.
He became president of the Stoke New-
ington Philotheans and patron of the
Braham Rovers (Battersen). He gave
a lecture to the Players' Club, called,
"How Much Should Be Told." And
he laid the foundation of a new op-
era house at Newton (isle of Wight).
Photographers and interviewers would
camp on his doorstep in order to get a
glimpse of him as he left the house.
His photographs filled every shop win-
dow and decorated every bonfire. They
appeared also on soap advertisements,
on cigarette-boxes and from automatic
machines (when these were in working
order). When there was room in the
daily papers one might occasionally
find tidings of war, of politics and of
scientific advance. But the journals
were mostly filled with news of Monty
—his habits and ideas. One learned
that he liked best to study his parts "in
the still of the night, when this great
London of ours is fast asleep." That his
favorite drink was "tea in Russian
fashion, with a slice of lemon—or, else
plain soda water." That he "used to
sketch and play the piano and that sort
of thing," but that now he had no time
for such things. That he "still loved to
scamper over the hayfields after the
boulders," that he was "passionately
fond of animals," and that he first dis-
covered his wonderful talent when
playing with a favorite wolfhound.

"Poor old Conrad! That paper knife
was made out of one of his pads. I was
playing with him one afternoon and
happened for a joke to pretend to be
dead. Conrad set up such a dismal howl
that I knew I was an actor!"

Monty was also elected eagerly to
many clubs; but he frequented chiefly
his old friend the Betterton, and it was
while he was dining one afternoon that
an acquaintance suddenly exclaimed to
him:

"By the way, Braham, did you know
this old chap, Fitz-Gibbon?"

"The old actor?" replied Monty, look-
ing leisurely up from the salad he was
mixing. "Oh, yes; I remember him.
What's happened to him?"

"Well, he's dead; that's all," said the
other. "There's a short notice of him
in this evening's paper. Respectable
representative of a bygone school. A
favorite with our more easily pleased
forbearers, and all that sort of thing. He
seems to have died very suddenly this
morning."

"Charles," said Monty to the waiter,
"get me my bill and a Bradshaw."

A few weeks later Frank Kortright
received the following explanation of
the sudden closing of the Elite Theater,
which had so surprised theater goers:

"Grand Hotel, Buenos Ayres—My
Dear Frank: It occurred to me why
I closed my theater and left town so
suddenly. You may remember the
night we went to the Elephant and
Castle, where we saw poor old Fitz-
Gibbon in some old-fashioned melo-
drama. Well, I went home that night
and went through a lot of calculations,
and I came to the conclusion that the
regular daily twenty-four hours' work
of a modern successful actor was real-
ly too much for any one man to under-
take; so I arranged to divide it with
two. Old Fitz was enchanted to do
the acting (which wasn't in my line,
and which he did extremely well), at
a salary of £10 a week. And I consider
myself very well paid for all the inter-
viewing and so on. I had a room fixed
up for old Fitz-Gibbon next to mine, and
I affected a 'mannerism' of always re-
hearsing in my dress and make-up—
which made a great impression and
simplified the 'double' arrangement. I
never allowed any one to come into my
dressing-room. The period during the
performance was about the only three
hours that I had in the day for sleep.
I am now going to rest for a year or
two; then—I don't know yet what I
shall do. I haven't decided. I may
take up medicine. Yours respectfully
"MONTY BRAHAM."

—St. James' Gazette.

NOTHING NEED BE WASTED.

Uses to Which Broken Glass and Old
Bones May Be Put.

When a tumbler or other glass vessel
is broken do you think its usefulness is
gone? It is not, by any means. It is
tossed into the ash barrel, indeed, but
it is pretty sure to reappear in another
form on the table. In making glass it
is usual to melt the materials together
with a quarter or half their weight of
"cullet"—that is, broken glass of the
same kind. This uses up great quan-
tities of broken glass which the rag-
pickers carefully sort out from the
barrels and dumps. Some of the coars-
est glass is melted and colored in the
paste. When it is cold it is broken
into irregular pieces and sold for cheap
mosaics in the decorations of shops,
while broken bottles are ground up to
make sand for glass paper.

Bones have a long career of use-
fulness after they are discarded from the
kitchen. Ground to dust they make
valuable fertilizers, while, at some Eng-
lish dyeing establishments, bones are
boiled to get the gelatine, or size, for
stiffening goods. Sometimes bones are
boiled and bleached and then sent to
the turners to be made into knife han-
dles, toothbrushes, nailbrushes and but-
tons, while ground up and mixed with
other things they are used as bonemeal
to feed cattle. Where does the ivory-
black of the artist come from? From
burning old bones in closed retorts, and
the same substance is used in making
blacking. Bonecharcoal is used in re-
fining sugar because it is so absorbent
that it will remove all trace of indigo
from sugar colored with it. This char-
coal can be used over and over again
by washing and heating, and when
finally worn out for refining purposes
it is used in making phosphorus.

Old tins are cut into strips, punched,
blackened and vanished, and used to
strengthen cheap trunks and boxes
while old iron is reutilized and appears
in fresh, new form. It is said England
ships as ballast much of her worn-out
gridirons, boilers, stoves and the like
to us to be melted over. Even such
small things as corks are collected and
recut, while those that are too rough
for cork making are used for floats for
fishermen and for stuffing horse col-
lars.—New York Times.

Empress Josephine's Appearance.

She had thin brown hair, a complex-
ion neither fresh nor faded, expressive
eyes, a small retroussé nose, a pretty
mouth, and a voice that charmed all
listeners. She was rather undersized,
but her figure was so perfectly pro-
portioned as to give the impression of
height and suppleness. Its charms
were scarcely concealed by the cloth-
ing she wore, made as it was in the
suggestive fashion of the day, with no
support to the form but a belt, and as
scanty about her shoulders as it was
about her shapely feet. It seems to
have been her elegance and her man-
ners as well as her sensuality which
overpowered Bonaparte, for he de-
scribed her as having "the calm and
dignified demeanor which belongs to
the old regime."

Long Words.

The longest word in the dictionary is
palatopharyngolaryngeal. The next
longest in transubstantiationist.

Biobis—"Has Scribbler's new play
much local coloring and atmosphere?"

Slobbis—"Lots of it; but judging from
the opening night, the coloring is very
blue and the atmosphere decidedly
frosty."—Philadelphia Record.

A man who has owned a piano a good
many years is amused at the man who
is interested in buying one.

If we were a woman, we would not
consent to wear bloomers unless we
were fixed for it below the waist.

SKATES IN ITS FEET.

The Peculiar Formation of a Phila-
delphia Duck.

There is a remarkable duck in the
lake which will probably prove the only
one of its class that ever has been dis-
covered, says the Philadelphia Press.
It is a large, snow-white bird, whose
plumage is so luxuriant that it would
fill a good-sized pillow. Its wings,
when spread out, cover an area of four
feet seven inches by three feet and a
half. The wings are very peculiar, be-
ing jointed very close to the body. This
enables it to bend them in such a way
as to form a tent. In terrible winter
storms in its native land it finds this
very useful. When the skies overcloud
and the wind begins whistling merry
tunes through the icebergs this cute
and cautious duck erects his wing tent
above his shivering self, and goes to
sleep in peace, knowing that when the
snow and sleet descends it will prove
harmless.

As soon as the cool weather was
scented those who watched this won-
derful duck noticed that a peculiar
growth was forming on his feet. As
the weather grew cooler the growth
grew more pronounced. It appears to
be a thick cartilaginous substance
which gradually extended. It looked
like another toe, and it was thought at
first that the duck was going to be mal-
formed. But instead of stopping when
the growth reached the size of the
other toes, it kept right on. It grew to
be about six inches long, and then the
end of it took a curious turn. Instead
of turning down like a claw, it curled
up and round in a picturesque loop.
Then it gradually hardened.

What on earth caused this curious
growth was a puzzle. What could it
be for? Was it simply a malforma-
tion, or some adjunct necessary for the
duck's happiness? Finally the solution
was discovered. The duck had skates
on. The peculiar formation was just
like the "skees" of the Norsemen.
More than probable the "skees" were
actually patterned after this growth.
These skates were invaluable to the
duck in his native land, where ice and
snow, with heavy crust, covered the
face of the earth and the deep. Travel
by swimming was largely tied up by
this ice. Wading afoot was slow and
tiresome, so kind nature provided a bet-
ter and quicker way, skating. All the
duck had to do was to spread out its
immense wings, stand firm on its
skates, and whiz he would go spinning
over the surface of snow and ice at a
high rate of speed.

With the approach of warm weather
these "skates," or rather this forma-
tion, fall off, and the feet are similar
to those of any other duck. Then
when winter comes again it makes its
appearance once more, and gradually
grows to its full size. A peculiar char-
acteristic of the duck is that during the
period of getting its skates on it is
ill and avoids all food. It drinks a
great deal, however, but this is not
enough to keep it alive. Consequently,
it is likely to die at any minute during
this time. It also keeps out of sight,
and only close search will discover the
bird until its skates are fully formed.
This duck has never been fully de-
scribed by scientists, owing to its ex-
treme rarity. It is known by the name
of Fakeduck Maxiums.

BURSTING OF A GLAZIER.

A Frightful Disaster in Switzerland.

A correspondent writing to us from
Zurich, Switzerland, says: "At day-
break on Wednesday a frightful disas-
ter took place at a distance of four
miles from Kanderstag, on the Gemli
Pass. A huge mass of ice, measuring
1,250,000 cubic metres, detached itself
from the Aletsch Glacier and was pre-
cipitated into the valley. Such was the
impetus of the mighty avalanche that
it was not checked in the valley, but
dashed up the opposite side, which has
a slope of 45 degrees, to a height of
1,300 feet, carrying everything before
it until it met a wall of rock, which
sent the main mass surging back. At
the foot of this rock lies, or rather
lay, the Spitalmatt, an exceedingly
beautiful and rich mountain pasture
with chalets for the cowherds, for stor-
ing cheeses, etc. At the time of the
disaster there were collected there 150
head of valuable cattle under the care
of four cowherds. There were also
two officials from Leuk, who had come
up to arrange about bringing down the
cattle, which event has always taken
place on September 13. All have been
overwhelmed. Of the animals, only
three have escaped.

"The loss in the live stock, the own-
ership of which was partitioned among
about thirty families, mostly quite
poor, belonging to the village of Leuk,
is estimated at \$20,000. The pasture
itself, which for years will now be use-
less, strewn as it is with debris, is
valued at \$80,000. The bodies of the
two officials and two of the cowherds
have been recovered, but in a hor-
ribly mutilated condition. It seems
that the disaster overtook them while
sleeping in their huts. The other two
men, whose bodies have not yet been
found, are supposed to have been up
early for the purpose of milking the
cows. The blocks of fallen ice and
rocks cover a space of two square miles
to a depth of many yards, the whole
scene being one of indescribable deso-
lation. Besides the trees which were
in the track of the avalanche great
numbers have been uprooted by the
wind which it produced. Many of the
cattle, too, lie about in such positions
that they must have been hurled great
distances through the air by the same
force. Men are hard at work trying to
make some sort of footpath over the
debris, the ordinary road being, of
course, completely obliterated. From
old records in Leuk it appears that a
similar catastrophe occurred at the
same spot in 1782, also only two days
before the date fixed for the return
of the cattle to the valleys."

able temperature. A small fire for four
or five days heats better and with just
as little expense as a roaring blaze
kindled on Saturday. Church commit-
tees often find fault with the heating
apparatus on a cold day, when the
manner and time of building the fire
are at fault. Then, too, a gradual
heating of such a building allows of
better ventilation than the sudden
warming up the day before the build-
ing is used.

Will Not Borrow Again.

There are two brothers in Memphis
who are so near the same size and
figure that they can wear each other's
clothing. One of them recently bought
a fine new overcoat, which was a very
stylish and comfortable garment, and
of which its owner was very proud.
The first night after he bought the
overcoat there was a rainstorm. The
water fell in torrents and the mud
fairly swam. In the streets. The
young man was going out that even-
ing, but he didn't like the idea of taking
his new overcoat out in such beastly
weather. His brother had a mackin-
tosh, and when the first young man
spied this hanging on the hat rack he
decided to appropriate it for the night
and so save his new overcoat. Without
saying a word to his brother he put on
the waterproof and sallied forth into
the rain, calculating that he would save
his new overcoat at least three months'
wear that night. When he came home
he found his brother in their room.
"Say, old man," he said, "I used your
mackintosh to-night."

"That was all right," said the broth-
er. "I got along very well without it."
"You didn't go out this evening, did
you?" asked the owner of the over-
coat.

"Yes," answered the owner of the
mackintosh.

"Then what did you wear?"

"Your new overcoat."

The Banana Tree.

In the West Indies the dried leaves
and prepared portion of the stem are
used as packing materials. Fresh
leaves are used to shade young coffee
or cocoa seedlings in nursery beds and
to cover cocoa beans during fermenta-
tion. The young unopened leaves are
so smooth and soft that they are used
as dressing for blisters. In India the
dried stalk of the plantain leaf is used
as a rough kind of twine, and the large
parts are made into small boxes for
holding snuff, drugs, etc.

In the Malay peninsula the ash of the
leaf and leaf stalk is used instead of
soap or fuller's earth in washing
clothes, and a solution of the ash is
often used as salt in cooking. In the
Dutch Indies the skin of the plantain
is used for blackening shoes. The
juice which flows from all cut parts of
the banana is rich in tannin and of so
blackening a nature that it may be
used as an indelible marking ink. In
Java the leaves of the "Wax banana"
are covered on the under side with a
white powder, which yields a valuable
wax, clear, hard and whitish, forming
an important article of trade. The
ashes of the leaves, stem and fruit
rind are employed in Bengal in many
dyeing processes. In Siam a cigarette
wrapper is made from the leaves.

Fiber is got from the stems of many
kinds of bananas. The most valuable
is the "Manilla hemp" of commerce,
which holds the chief place for mak-
ing white ropes and cordage. Old ropes
made of it form an excellent paper-
making material, much used in the
United States for stout packing pa-
pers. The Manilla hemp industry is a
large one. About 50,000 tons of fiber,
valued at \$15,000,000, are annually ex-
ported from the Philippine Islands.
The Manilla hemp plant is grown ex-
clusively in the southern part of the
Philippines, and all attempts to grow it
elsewhere have failed. Many articles
are made from Manilla hemp—mats,
cords, hats, plaited work, lace hand-
kerchiefs of the finest texture and
various qualities of paper. At Woblan,
in Switzerland, an industry has been
started for making lace and material
for ladies' hats from it. By a simple
process it is made into straw exactly
resembling the finest wheat straw for
plaiting.

Not a Hefty Trade.

The furrier's trade is not a healthy
one, for the dust and short hairs which
are beaten out of the skins fill the
lungs and thus shorten the lives of
many workmen. This is not the case,
however, with American furriers, for
machinery and improved appliances
used in this country and better ventila-
tion serve to keep the air of the work-
shops comparatively free from the in-
jurious dust. In making fur clothing
many skins are sewed together and the
workman not only must have the skill
necessary to conceal the seams, but
must be able to perfectly match the
several skins. Chicago has several
large establishments where furs are
made, and the men and women em-
ployed in them are regarded the equals
of the most expert French and Eng-
lish furriers.

Superstitious Cure for Hydrophobia.

When a person in the Soudan is bit-
ten by a dog supposed to be suffering
from the rabies the animal is instantly
caught, killed and cut open; the liver
is taken out and slightly browned by
being held to the fire, after which the
whole of the organ is eaten by the pa-
tient.

Odds and Ends.

Miscellaneous Items—Union P. C.

Black velvet, with white satin lin-
ing and white chiffon, is extremely sty-
lish.

In preparing cocoa for use the seeds
are roasted like coffee, then ground or
pounded.

JOKER'S BUDGET.

JESTS AND YARNS BY FUNNY
MEN OF THE PRESS.

Seeking Information—Her Periods
of Rest—Why He Stopped—
Dead Easy—Etc., Etc.

SEEKING INFORMATION.

"Mamma, what do you call that big
turkey?"

"A gobbler, my child."

"Then, is a baby turkey a goblet?"

HER PERIODS OF REST.

"Mrs. Smylax is very talkative at times,
isn't she?"

"At times!"

"Well, yes—when she's awake!"

WHY HE STOPPED.

Cobble—Miss Spinlow says that you
don't write any more poetry to her. What's
the matter, old man?

Stone—I am trying to marry her.

DEAD EASY.

"I thought you said, darling, that your
father was difficult to approach?"

"Didn't you find him so, dear?"

"No, indeed. I had been talking with
him only five minutes when he approached
me for a fiver as easily as any man I ever
met."

PARDONABLE IMPERFECTION.

"No man," said the Cheerful Idiot, "is
ever more than half right."

"Oh, come now," began the new
boarder.

"The other half," continued the Cheer-
ful Idiot, "is left."

A NICE SERVANT.

Servant—Give me a pound of tea.

Grocer—Green or black?

Servant—It doesn't matter, my mistress
is blind.

HE MADE A RECORD.

"They tell me your representative made
a fine record in the Legislature."

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THE CENTRE REPORTER.

CENTRE HALL, PA., THURS. JAN. 2.

Great Before Stock

Taking Sale!

3,000 yds. best Canton, always sold at 10 & 12½¢, now 8¢. Today it would cost 10¢ a yd. at wholesale. Our New York buyer made a great hit when he bought the lot.

10,000 cakes Brownie Soap 1¢ straight. Not quite so large but the equal in fineness of anything in town at 5¢.

500 Cups and Saucers sold at from 15 to 25¢, to go at 10¢ each. Don't wait, as they won't last long. Tea Pots, slightly crazed at 10¢, worth three times 10¢.

Still another lot of full pound bars Oleine Soap, 4¢.

Children's and Ladies' Coats—not large sleeves—but the cloth and making is there, to go at \$1.00 each. Some cost \$3, some \$4, and some as high as \$7. Now at \$1. It is an outrage, but such is good merchandise. Must make room for the new.

GARMAN'S STORE.
BELLEFONTE, PENN.

THE NEW RACKET

No. 9-11 Crider's Exchange, Bellefonte.

Bellefonte's Big Department Store.

6400 feet Floor Space, and not a bit to spare. If U think we're handling the truth carelessly,
KOM AND C!

The Store is Specially Suited to
The Great American Holiday Season
And is as chock full of nice things suitable for presents as a little red wagon. The useful and beautiful form a happy combination, U Kno.

Toys for the Baby, Books, Dolls, Sleds, anything and everything for larger children. A nice Dress Pattern for your wife. Jewelry, silverware, Japanese Novelties, for your sweetheart. Handkerchiefs, Ties, Gloves, Umbrella, Leather Goods, for husband or beau, and a thousand and one other items—and all at prices that are not matched in this city.

U won't do Uself justice if U make U'r purchases before looking through The New Racket.

G. R. SPIGELMYER,
SHEM SPIGELMYER, JR.
Bellefonte, Pa.

1896

Finds us still in Bellefonte. We had hoped to clean out the entire stock by Jan. 1st.

Therefore from now on we will offer

GREATER BARGAINS

than ever. The stock will be sold at cost. Plenty of seasonable goods to select from.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY.

We will offer special inducements in price and terms of payment to some energetic young man who wishes to embark in business. Elegant stand and location. Strictly cash trade. Write for particulars.

W. T. MEYER,

Bush Arcade,
Two doors from postoffice.

Bellefonte.

To Open a Clogged Pipe.

For the benefit of many housekeepers, we give the following—the method of a retired plumber: "Just before retiring for the night pour into a clogged pipe enough hot liquid soda lye to fill the 'trap' or bent part of the pipe. Be sure no water runs into it until the next morning. During the night the lye will convert all the oil into soap, and the first flush of water in the morning will wash it away, leaving the pipes as clean as when new.

Peppered a Chicken Thief.

Up at Scotia, a few days ago, Henry Guyer, shot a chicken thief, hurting him badly, a Winchester ball having been sent thro his leg. Forty chickens had been stolen from Mr. Guyer. We'll bet the rooster that bosses that coop will crow louder than ever now.

Private Sale of Fine Dwelling House.

The fine new dwelling house of Mr. C. W. Luse, south of the station, will be sold at private sale. It is one of the best in town, and will be sold cheap. This offer is good only for thirty days.

A Christmas Game.

Christmas day the ball teams of the Egg Hill and Centre Hill schools played a game of ball, which resulted in a victory for the Egg Hill boys by a large score.

ESHERITES IN POSSESSION.

The United Evangelicals Give Up Their Church

The bitter controversy between the Esherite and Lubbsite factions of the Evangelical church, has been transferred to Centre Hall, and demands have been made upon the congregation at this place to give up the church property.

The congregation here is unanimous in their support of Bishop Dubbs, and there was not one Esherite in the church. In other congregations under the charge of Rev. Goodling, the pastor, there are supporters of Bishop Esher in the church controversy.

At Tusseyville the Dubbs faction gave up the church property and erected a new building. The congregations at Linden Hall, Centre Hall and Egg Hill, are largely in majority, and an effort was made to purchase the property, which the Supreme court decided belonged to the Esherites. These negotiations were declared off and the Esherites demanded the properties.

On Sunday evening a week ago, the Centre Hall congregation held their last service in the building, and gave up the property to the owners technically.

The congregation at Linden Hall worship in the school building, while at Egg Hill the property cannot be claimed by the Esherites.

The Methodist church has been rented by the Centre Hall congregation and their services will be held in that edifice until arrangements can be made for the future.

Until the completion of their new building the Reformed congregation has been worshipping in the Evangelical church. They will seek quarters elsewhere, and the building will stand empty for the time being.

Recent Deaths.

There were several deaths in Gregg and Penn townships since our last issue, namely:

Mr. Bressler, of west of Millheim, died last week; he was born, lived and died in the same house, aged about 72 years.

Daniel Bartges, an old and respected citizen of Gregg, aged about 75, died week before last.

John Kern, of near Millheim, died a short time ago, aged about 60 years.

Henry Weiser, an old and much respected citizen of Millheim, died last Friday night, after an all-summer's illness.

Interested in the Chautauqua Course.

Col. John A. Woodward, who was recently appointed superintendent of the State College Chautauqua Course of Home reading in Agriculture, states that a great interest is being manifested in it at all the Farmers' Institutes. Up to date he has enrolled nearly one hundred and fifty new members, among whom are agricultural editors, principals of schools of high grade, physicians and many prominent farmers. This makes a total of about five hundred members enrolled in this work.

Christmas Entertainment.

On Christmas evening an entertainment, consisting of a song service, recitations, and a few special features, was given by the Reformed Sunday school. It was the only entertainment rendered by the schools of the town, and the house was filled to overflowing. The school manifested a great interest by much practice, and the affair was a success; the singing was a credit to the school and the recitations were well rendered.

Clerical Orders on the P. R. R.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company announces that clerical orders for the year 1896 will be issued to ordained ministers of the Gospel located on its system east of Pittsburgh and Erie inclusive, on the same conditions as prevail at present. Clergymen who desire to avail themselves of this privilege should make application to the nearest ticket office of the Pennsylvania Railroad, so that the orders may be issued before the close of the present year.

Death of a Little Girl.

On Wednesday morning, early, the death occurred of the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Shaffer, at the station. The little one suffered for some time from inflammation of the bowels; she was aged about four years. The interment will be made in the cemetery at Sprucetown.

At Sheriff Sale Prices.

All goods formerly in the Philadelphia Branch store, clothing to suit men and boys of all ages and sizes, at sacrifice prices, a big supply and must be sold. Now for real bargains.

Lutheran Appointments.

Lutheran preaching next Sunday at St. John's 10 a. m., Cross Church 2 p. m., Centre Hall 7 p. m. Services at Centre Hall every evening next week.

A January thaw is always more productive of colds and coughs than a January freeze. Then is the time Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is needed and proves so extremely efficacious. Ask your druggist for it, and also for Ayer's Almanac, which is free to all.

—Subscriber for the REPORTER, \$1.50

MARRIED ON TUESDAY.

Miss Annie Harpster and Dr. G. W. Widder United in Wedlock.

Tuesday morning at eleven o'clock, the marriage ceremony was performed which united in the bonds of wedlock, Dr. G. W. Widder and Miss Annie Harpster. The event took place at the residence of the bride's brother-in-law, Mr. Jerry Miller, on Church street, and only the immediate friends and relatives were present.

Rev. W. E. Fischer, of Shamokin, Pa., officiated in the ceremony. An excellent collation was served the guests by Mrs. Miller, and the time was passed most pleasantly. Mr. and Mrs. Widder departed on the 3.01 train on a short trip east.

The groom is a practicing physician in Harrisburg, Pa., and has a large practice. The bride is a native of this place, but about three or four years ago removed to Missoula, Montana, but has been visiting here for several months past.

Mr. and Mrs. Widder will take up their residence in Harrisburg at once, which city will be made their future home.

RAVEN GETS \$3,000.

The Turnpike Company Makes a Compromise and Pays the Costs.

For receiving a broken leg in a runaway on the Millheim turnpike, Isaac W. Raven has just compromised with the company and been paid \$3,000 and all costs. Raven's case was tried twice in the lower court and heard before the supreme court, and in all three he got a verdict of \$5,000. This amount the Turnpike company believed to be exorbitant and refused to pay. The result was the turnpike was put up for sale by the sheriff, but on the day of sale there were no bidders save Raven himself, and as he could not utilize the turnpike to advantage, he refused to buy. Then the company offered him the alternative of accepting \$3,000 and costs or getting the amount of his verdict as best he could. Raven accepted the former and the case has thus been settled.

Queer Kind of Cancer.

A Clearfield county farmer has a cow that was afflicted with cancer of the jaw, quite a lump being noticed, and the cow was regularly milked but the cow having the cancer the milk was thrown away. The farmer concluded to send for a bovine physician and relieve the cow. The surgeon arrived on the ground and after lassoing and binding the critter the cancer was removed which was nothing more nor less than a china nest egg that had lodged between the jaw bone and skin and the cow was unable to move it. The cow is still living and the farmer now uses the milk but he does not like to have any one refer to cancer in cows.

Had but Two Landlords in 100 Years.

Northumberland county has a landmark to which is attached not a little interest in the existence of a hotel the names of whose landlords have been the same for 100 years. William Farrow's wife, nee Charity Rockefeller, in 1796 inherited from her father's estate a little frame tavern in Snyderstown. Her husband became the landlord the same year, and ministered to the wants of the weary and footsore traveler for sixty years. At his death the present landlord, William Farrow, came into possession of the place. The same cannot be said of any other hostelry in the state.

Died at State College.

After an illness of about three weeks Mrs. Foster, the wife of Capt. Robert Foster, died at her home at State College at four o'clock Friday morning. The deceased was aged about sixty-five years and had only been sick about three weeks when she died. She contracted an attack of grip and later was stricken down with paralysis. The funeral was held on Sunday and largely attended by the many friends of the deceased.

Quietly Married.

Mr. Robert Goodling and Miss Jennie Goodling, both of York, Pa., are the guests of Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Goodling, at the Evangelical parsonage at Centre Hall since the 24th of Dec. They were quietly married on the evening of the 24th, by the pastor. The bride is a niece of the pastor and only child of his older brother.

Death of Dr. Woods.

Last Thursday Dr. Woods died at his home in Boalsburg, aged thirty years, and was interred on Saturday in the cemetery at that place. He removed to Boalsburg within the last year from Ohio, but owing to bad health was scarcely able to practice medicine within the last few months. His illness was a long one, suffering from consumption.

Clothing at Sheriff Sale Prices.

Don't miss the bargains in ready made clothing, at the Philadelphia Branch, on account of sheriff sale, a full line for men and boys, will be sold at once at great sacrifice.

Took Laudanum.

In Bellefonte a few days ago John Miller, aged thirty-one, despondent over his wife leaving him, swallowed laudanum with suicidal intent. The necessary antidotes were given and he soon recovered.

BARN BURNED.

W. K. Alexander's Barn with the Entire Crop Burned.

On last Sunday afternoon, about 2 o'clock, the barn on the farm of Wm. K. Alexander, about 1 mile south of Linden Hall, was destroyed by fire with all last summer's crop. When the fire was first discovered by Mr. Kline's family, who live on the premises and do the farm work for the actual renter, John Cummings, who occupies an adjoining farm, the flames had already spread over the inside of the barn, from which it might appear that the fire started on the inside; another report says the fire started at the straw stack.

All last summer's crop, was burned, wheat, rye, oats, corn, and hay. There were 30 tons of baled hay and 1600 bushels of corn in the ear. Wagons and all implements were burned. The live stock was saved. There is no certainty about the origin of fire. Parties report they had seen children playing about the barn shortly before the fire. Perhaps matches in their hands or fire from cigarettes may have been the cause of the fire.

The crop belonged to Mr. Cummings who had the farm on a money rent. There is said to be \$1800 insurance, but we did not learn whether it belonged to Mr. Alexander on the barn, or to Mr. Cummings on the crop, or to both. No insurance in the Centre Hall company. The insurance is on is on Cummings' crop.

Editor Williams Dead.

Last Sunday Harry C. Williams, the popular editor of the Philipsburg Ledger, died, having succumbed to that fatal disease typhoid pneumonia. He had been ill but a short time and was thought to be convalescing. The deceased was a lifelong resident of Philipsburg, being head book keeper for D. W. Holt & Co. In 1884 he, with John Douglass started the Ledger. Ever since that date he has devoted his entire time and energy to making it one of the best journals in that region. Kind, courteous and full of life, Harry Williams was a popular favorite among a wide circle of friends and his sad death will be widely mourned. In his demise Philipsburg loses one of her most energetic citizens and his family an affectionate son, brother and father. He was a widower, his wife preceded him to the other world several years ago. His father, mother, sister and one daughter survive him.

Accident to Ex-treasurer Granly.

On last Saturday afternoon J. J. Granly met with a painful accident that might have been still more serious. While driving on the steep road near Valentine's residence, on the south side of Bellefonte, his horse took fright and ran off. Mr. Granly was thrown out of his vehicle and received some serious cuts and bruises over different parts of his person and made a narrow escape with his life. The frantic horse, in jumping over a fence sustained severe injuries, by having large splinters from a broken spruce rail penetrating its body which is likely to ruin the animal even if it does not die from the injuries.

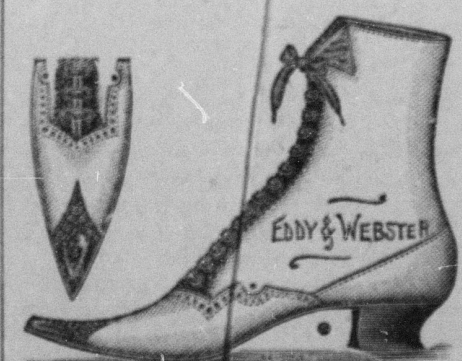
Dubstes Make Purchases.

The question of the disposition of the Evangelical church property in this part of the state has been amicably arranged by the Dubstes becoming purchasers of all the desirable churches and parsonages paying part cash for the same and giving bonds for the balance. The settlement being satisfactory to the Esherites, the case will not get into the courts.

Sheriff Sale of Clothing.

A full line of all kinds of ready-made clothing, for men and boys, must be sold at once, on account of sheriff's sale, at the Philadelphia Branch, Bellefonte. Hurry up, if you want a bargain.

Subscribe for the REPORTER.



..PRACTICAL PRESENTS.

Suitable gifts for any member of the family, young or old. Glance over our abbreviated list:

Ladies' Carpet Slippers	25c
Ladies' Velvet Slippers	50c
" " " " " "	75c
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Ladies' Fine Leather Slippers, from 50c to \$1.00	
Men's Carpet Slippers	25c
Men's Velvet Slippers	50c
" " " " " "	75c
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Men's Imitation Alligator Leather	75c
Men's Russia Leather	1.25
Ladies' Overgaiters	from 25c to 75c
Ladies' Leggins, cane above the knee	1.50
Misses' " "	1.25
Children's " "	1.00

Considering the outlay nothing is more acceptable than a pair of our slippers, shoes or overgaiters, for a gift.

Mingie's Shoe Store, - Bellefonte.

CLEARANCE SALE

—OF ALL—

WINTER GOODS!

Preparatory to taking an inventory of our stock, we will offer until February 15th, 1896,

OUR ENTIRE STOCK OF WINTER GOODS AT COST.

Men's Ladies' and Children's Hose at cost.

Ladies' Woolen Caps, Facinators, Mittens and Gloves at cost.

Men's, Ladies' and Children's Woolen and Merino Underwear at cost.

Ladies' Misses' and Children's Coats and Capes—what we have left—at cost.

Men's, Boys' and Children's Overcoats at less than cost.

Ladies' and Children's Furs at cost.

All Wool Suits for Men, Youths, Boys and Children at cost.

WINTER DRESS GOODS AT COST.

A big lot of good Dress Goods, remnants, just the right lengths for Girls' Dresses, AT HALF PRICES.

Men's, Boys' and Children's Boots and Shoes, at cost.

Ladies', Misses' and Children's Shoes at cost.

BLANKETS WHITE AND COLORED BLANKETS AT COST!

LYON & CO.,

Bellefonte, - - - - - Penna.

THE GLOBE.

DRY GOODS AND MILLINERY

CLEANING UP SALE OF ALL WINTER GOODS!

The policy of The Globe is to carry over no goods from one season to another, if prices will move them.

We inaugurated this policy last July when we made such low prices on our summer goods that we sold every dollar's worth of, strictly speaking, summer goods before Sept. 1st.

We follow the same rule with our Winter stock.

We have had a good trade all this Fall, and now are ready to give the people some great bargains on what we have left.

ALL OUR WINTER STOCK WILL BE SOLD AT A DISCOUNT OF 25 PER CENT. FROM FORMER PRICES.

- Dress Goods one-quarter off.
- Blankets one quarter off.
- Cloaks and Wraps one quarter off.
- Flannels one quarter off.
- Overcoats one quarter off.
- Millinery one quarter off.
- Underwear one quarter off.
- Woolen Hosiery one quarter off.
- Cotton Flannels one quarter off.
- Yarns one quarter off.

At the prices which we will ask, we confidently expect to sell all our surplus Winter stock during this month.

- Come to this Great Sale and Get Bargains. -

KATZ & CO.,

LIMITED.

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